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## KING'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS.

### SIR ALFRED MOND RAISED TO THE PEERAGE.

### FOUR HONGKONG LADIES AWARDED BRITISH EMPIRE ORDER.

### DIPLOMATIC DECORATIONS.

The King's Birthday Honours List creates three new Peers, one Privy Councillor, five Baronets and 36 Knights. Several knightships have been conferred for conspicuous services in Rhodesia, Australia, and New Zealand, while there is also a numerous list of Indian honours.

Sir Alfred Mond, Sir George Rowland Blades and Sir George Remnant are raised to the Peerage.

No prominent honour has fallen to Hongkong, but Mr. H. K. Holmes, Crown Solicitor, has been awarded the C.B.E., Mr. R. Sutherland and Dr. S. W. Tso, the O.B.E., while the M.B.E. has been conferred upon Captain Adey, Mrs. C. G. Alabaster, Mrs. H. R. Remington, Mrs. Russell Brown and Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe. Other honours are detailed below.

### THREE BYE-ELECTIONS INVOLVED.

We are informed from Government House that H. M. the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the following honours:

C.B.E.—Mr. Harold Kennard Holmes.

O.B.E. (Civil Division)—Mr. Robert Sutherland, M.B.E., and Dr. Seen Wan-to.

M.B.E. (Civil Division)—Captain Adey, Mrs. W. M. Alabaster, Mrs. Remington, Mrs. Russell Brown and Mrs. Wolfe.

I.S.O.—Mr. P. T. Lamble and Mr. A. J. Reed.

M.B.E. (Military Division)—Subedar Major (retired) Piran Ditta, D.C.M., Hongkong Singapore Artillery.

Mr. Holmes has been in the Government service since 1919, when he was appointed Assistant Land Officer. For a time, he was acting Land Officer, and in 1922 was appointed Crown Solicitor, which post he has since held.

Mr. Robert Sutherland is the well-known member of the firm of Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., and has been very prominently associated with movements for the betterment of the Services in Hongkong. He is one of the leading officials of the St. Andrew's Society, of which he is a Past President. He is an unofficial J.P.

Dr. Seen Wan-to (better known as Dr. T. W. Tso) is a member of the Sanitary Board and of the Board of Education, as well as of the Court of the University, and is also a Justice of the Peace.

Mr. P. T. Lamble retired from the Government in December last after 26 years' service. He was Superintendent of Staff and Works in the Sanitary Department.

Mr. Amaro John Reed is accountant in the senior clerical and accounting staff of the General Post Office. He was appointed clerk in 1888 and has been accountant since 1899.

**Three New Peers.**

The following have been elevated to the Peerage:

The Rt. Hon. Sir Alfred M. Mond, P.C., M.P., who as indicated a few weeks ago is retiring from active politics. Sir Alfred, who is 60 years of age, is perhaps best known as being the head of the Imperial Chemical Industries, Limited, lately Brunner, Mond and Co., and many other important concerns connected with the chemical and dye industries. For two years, he was Minister of Health, prior to which he was First Commissioner of Works for five years. He has had a crowded public life and caused not a little sensation a year or two ago when he crossed the floor of the House. Of late he has been much in prominence in connexion with the new Industrial Peace movement, and the formation of a big Anglo-American financial combine.

Sir George Rowland Blades, M.P., who has just completed a period of service as Lord Mayor of London. For many years past, he has been prominently concerned with London developments, occupying the position of Senior Sheriff in 1917. A

## FOOCHOW SCHOOL BLAZE.

### UNIVERSITY BLOCK DESTROYED.

### FIFTH INCENDIARY ACT IN EIGHT MONTHS.

### CALL FOR ACTION.

Foochow, June 1.

For the fifth time in eight months, an expensive school building has been destroyed by fire in Foochow.

On Monday evening, while the Faculty and students of the Fukien Christian University were holding a meeting in the Chapel, news was suddenly brought that fire had broken out in the dormitory, a magnificent brick building only a few years old.

It transpired that one student who had stayed in the building instead of going to the meeting was surprised to hear a series of explosions like fire-crackers, quite near by. He looked out, but could see nothing, so went outside, and was puzzled by a glow on the ground until he looked up and saw that the attic was burning.

Building Destroyed.

The alarm was immediately given, but the strong fumes of sulphur and potassium nitrate made it impossible to get into the attic, and the fire gradually crept downwards until the whole building was destroyed. It broke out about 8.30 p.m. and continued most of the night.

Fortunately no-one was hurt, although one or two students had narrow escapes as they tried to save their belongings. The majority were able to save about half of their stuff, those who occupied the lower floors being the best off.

Threat to Shoot.

Soon after the fire started, villagers from the neighbouring village of Hui Gie came along armed with poles, bent on getting what they could from the debris, and they were only driven off with difficulty.

One student, the proud possessor of a revolver, helped their departure by threatening to shoot.

Meantime a telephone message had been sent to Foochow asking for protection and a body of police or marines was sent down without delay. (The University is situated about five miles from Foochow, half-way between the city and the Pagoda Anchorage, on the north of the Min River below the famous Kushan Monastery).

Residents in the foreign settlement of Nantai were able to see the whole thing from the upper storeys of their houses, and soon identified the doomed building. But they were powerless to help or even to express their sympathy until the next day.

Was Insured.

The cost of the building when erected was \$50,000 and it was insured for about that sum. But even if the insurance money is paid, it will not be sufficient to rebuild on the old lines, owing to the rise in cost of material and labour in recent years.

This adds greatly to the financial difficulties of the University, which is already facing an estimated deficit on its budget for next year of \$20,000.

This University has had many trials. In the Spring of 1927, a serious split occurred owing to the attempt of a radical element to take it over and give it to the anti-Christian people. But the loyal members of the faculty and student body won out. The foreign President, Dr. J. Cowdy, resigned and the administration was entrusted to a committee of three with Mr. C. J. Lin as chairman.

Recently, Mr. Lin has been appointed President, and has proved himself admirably fitted for the task, being loved by faculty and students alike. This blow that has now come upon him is a severe one, but it has been found that the students can be accommodated in an old wooden building for the remainder of the term, and it is hoped that the term can be finished off according to plan, the Summer Commencements being held on June 18.

As mentioned already, this is the fifth school burned within eight months, the fourth within five months. No one has yet been punished for any of these acts of incendiarism. Is it not about time that the Chinese authorities began to practise the "adequate protection" of foreign property of which they speak so often?

Our Own Correspondent.

## SHANGHAI CLASH REPORTED.

### COMMUNISTS DISPERSED BY POLICE.

### FIRING YESTERDAY.

A somewhat alarming Chinese telegram from Shanghai states that a number of pamphlets, denouncing the Kuomintang cause and advocating the Communist movement, were seized by police in the International Settlement on Sunday.

When the police endeavoured to arrest the distributors, some firing is said to have taken place, resulting in a few pedestrians being injured.

Most of the pamphlet distributors were students.

Another Chinese telegram says that about thirty Chinese Communists, who congregated in Nanking Road, started the trouble by distributing the leaflets and shouting Communist slogans.

The disturbance continued for about an hour, when the Communists were dispersed by the police.

It is noteworthy that yesterday the Shanghai City Kuomintang flew its flag at half-mast to commemorate the Tainanfu incident.

## MISS BENNETT'S TRIUMPHS.

### MEETS MISS WILLS IN FRENCH SINGLES.

### THE MEN'S SINGLES.

Paris, June 3.

Miss Eileen Bennett, the British lady tennis player, who is already a co-winner of the Mixed Doubles and Women's Doubles of the French Hardcourts Championships at Autueil, became a triple finalist to-day, by reaching the final of the Women's Singles.

Miss Bennett, in the semi-final eliminated the holder Mademoiselle Bouman (Holland) in straight sets, though the second was hotly contested. Miss Bennett took the first at 6-2 comfortably enough, and the second at 8-6.

Miss Helen Wills (U.S.A.) meets Miss Bennett in the final. Miss Wills to-day defeated Miss Hardie (Britain) easily 6-1, 6-1.

The semi-finals of the Men's Singles, resulted in the defeat of Borotra and Hawkes, the final to-morrow being all French.

In the first semi-final, H. Cochet beat Borotra 6-3, 2-6, 7-5, 6-4.

In the second, R. Lacoste beat Hawkes (Australia) 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.

Reuter.

## FOUR-YEAR-OLD THEFT SEQUEL.

### BANK EMPLOYEE PLEADS GUILTY.

The loss of a sum of \$40,000 by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in January, 1924 (referred to elsewhere in this issue) had a sequel at the Magistrate's court this morning, when Fung, Chung-lin, alias Fung Fau-sang, described as a chequing messenger employed by the Bank, was charged on two counts.

The charges were (1) larceny by means of a forged cheque, and (2) larceny by servant.

The accused, who was arrested in Canton, pleaded guilty to both charges.

The police applied for a week's remand, and this was granted.

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## TWO HUNDRED KILLED.

### UNFORTUNATE CLASH NEAR SWATOW.

### VILLAGERS MISTAKE TROOPS FOR BANDITS.

### PROPERTY DESTROYED.

Swatow, June 1.

There has been an unfortunate clash between Government troops and the port of Chia-na, a place to the north-east near the Fukien border. It was reported that some Hai-Luk Fung Communists had taken refuge there, and a detachment of the 5th Army was sent to arrest them.

The region round Chia-na has for some years been in the power of a bandit-cum-pirate chief, who has been given semi-official recognition from successive local Governments. His band, however, is so oppressive that Chia-na organised its own Defence Corps, and was independent of him in Government.

The soldiers sent this time did not communicate their errand beforehand, and spent the night in this ex-bandit village, a distance of three miles from Chia-na.

Dwellings Looted.

Next morning, the troops emerged from the village, with a goodly number of the villagers in their train. The Chia-na people, seeing the party advancing, mistook it for a bandit raid and prepared to resist.

The consequence was a fight in which the troops took the place, and the ex-bandits looted the dwellings.

It is said that two hundred were killed in the attack, there was much destruction of property, and the bandits took captive over ten prisoners, whom they subsequently put on board a launch, which piloted on the Swatow Chi-na run, and is owned by the chief.

### Women Refugees.

A number of women have come as refugees into Swatow.

The soldiers were returning on the day following the attack, but by that the real state of things was apparent, and they were requested to remain to prevent further looting. It seems doubtful whether there were Communists in the place, though as some refugees from Hai-Luk Fung had fled there, others may have followed them.

### More Communist Trouble.

News is to hand of a recurrence of Communist trouble in the west of the Hai-Luk Fung districts. Details are lacking, but it is said that some hundreds of scattered Communist troops have emerged from their hiding places in the hills as the Government forces have gone to settled quarters, and have been joined by over a thousand peasants.

The joint force is harrying the villages. From Kong-peng folk are fleeing down to the coast at Swatow, and over a thousand are said to have left Tai-on and gone to Ho-po again. It is perhaps unlikely that the movement can be of more than local significance, but for the villages concerned it means a recurrence of distress.

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## SOUTHERN CROSS FLIGHT.

### THREE THOUSAND MILES HOP TO FIJI.

Honolulu, June 4.

The "Southern Cross" which flew from Honolulu to Kaula, in the Sandwich Islands, successfully yesterday, has left on a 3,000 mile hop from Kaula to Suva, Fiji.

Reuter.

## A COLOURFUL SPECTACLE.

### TO-DAY'S KING'S BIRTHDAY PARADE.

### IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY AT THE CENOTAPH.

### 3,000 TROOPS TAKE PART.

Although Hongkong's celebration of His Majesty the King's birthday was not on such an elaborate scale as last year, to-day's ceremonies lacked nothing in sincerity and impressiveness.

There was a simple ceremony at the Cenotaph followed by a march past of units representative of all the different branches of the Services in Hongkong, these being watched by huge crowds of spectators who took opportunity of every vantage point in the region of the Cenotaph.

Celebrations on the lines of those at Happy Valley last year were impossible owing to recent rain which has turned the Valley into something resembling a quagmire and owing to the unsettled weather generally.

In sharp contrast to last year when the King's Birthday Parade took place on one of the hottest days of the year, the weather this morning was dull and overcast, rain threatening at any moment. Rain started shortly after eight o'clock, but the weather kept fine during the observances at the Cenotaph.

## COLONY CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY.

Crowds began to collect before Signals, and Lance Sergeant E. C. eight o'clock, and while there were Goodheart, R.A.

A Feu-de-Joie.

The decoration ceremony completed, a Royal Salute of 21 guns was fired on the Murray Parade ground by the 1st Mountain Battery of the Hongkong and Singapore Brigade R.A. After the arrival of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, first rounds the Guard of Honour of the Scots Guards, still drawn up on the Praya facing the Cenotaph fired a feu de Joie, the band of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, drawn up outside the Hongkong Club, playing the National Anthem.

During the firing of the salute three aeroplanes from Kaitake aerodrome flew over in flight formation, swooping low over Queen's Pier and the assembled troops, and then soaring skyward again with engines roaring.

**The March Past.**

H.E. the G.O.C. left his position in front of the Cenotaph and addressed the troops from the Col. L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O.; Praya, called for three cheers for the King, these being roarsingly given.

The Guard of Honour then moved off and the march past headed by a detachment of the Royal Navy began, the Officer Administering the Government, standing in front of the Cenotaph and taking the salute.

The march past was both impressive and inspiring. The earlier part of the ceremony had taken less than a quarter of an hour, the march past beginning at about 3.15. This was headed by H.E. the G.O.C. and staff officers mounted on chargers, about 400 men of the Royal Navy following. Then came about 150 men of Royal Artillery and a detachment of Indian troops about 175 strong. The march past provided a colourful spectacle, the tartans of the Scottish troops contrasting sharply with the white uniforms of the Naval men and bright red turbans of the Indian troops. The aeroplanes again flew low during the march past.

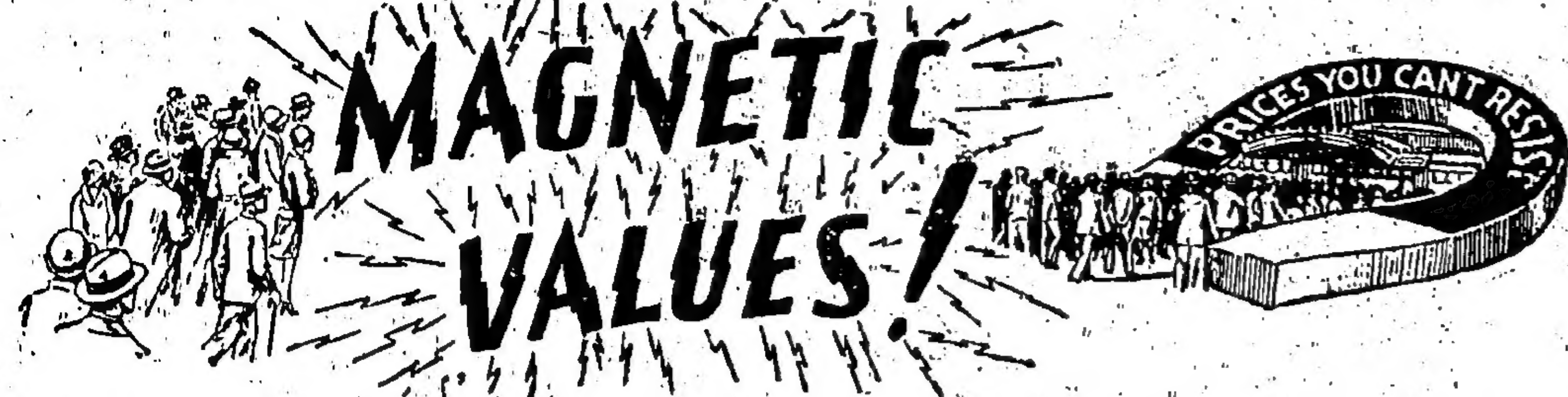
Royal Engineers numbering about 50 and a detachment of Chinese sappers of about the same number followed the Indian troops and then came the Scots Guards, headed by their own band playing the regimental march. The Scots Guards were about 450 strong and were followed by the Queen's Royal Regiment, also headed by the band, the men numbering about 450.

Then came the band of the King's Own Scottish Borderers with the battalion to the strength of over 400 and then a detachment of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps headed by the band of the Portuguese Company. Immediately behind the Volunteers was the Indian Mule Corps, and then the Indian battalion to the strength of about 400 with its own band and pipers.

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### ON THEIR HONOUR.

#### MAGISTRATE'S WAY WITH MINOR OFFENDERS.

A man and woman appeared before Lt. Col. F. Eaves, D.S.O., charged with cutting Gambler tree roots in a Government plantation at Wongneichong. They were unable to put up bail, and answered the charge from the dock.

After hearing the evidence, his Worship said he did not like to send the woman to prison for such an offence. He fined each defendant \$5, however, and gave them a week in which to pay. In default, they were to go to prison for five days.

The prosecuting Police Officer pointed out that the defendants appeared to live in a matched which was unnumbered on the hillside at Shauiwan. There were a great many matches like that on the hillside at Shauiwan, and in any case it would be difficult to find the defendants if they defaulted.

His Worship said he would put the defendants on their honour. He trusted "that they would play the game" in view of the leniency accorded them.

The Police Officer confessed that he would be left in a predicament if the defendants were to default and he was unable to trace them.

His Worship replied that any-

how, he would give the defendants a week in which to pay the fine, but he made it clear to them that they would be arrested and sent to prison if they did not keep to their part of the arrangement.

### ARMED ROBBERY.

#### TWO CHINESE COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

The case against two young Chinese who are charged with armed robbery in a house in Hollywood Road at the beginning of last month, was resumed before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy on Saturday morning.

It was stated by the police that on May 7, in response to a notice put over the door-way, the second defendant, posing as a prospective tenant, appeared in the third floor of 166 Hollywood Road and requested to be shown over a cubicle. He paid \$3 deposit money and went away, stating he would move in some other day.

On the following day he returned, accompanied by an old woman and a small girl in the floor, the defendants easily terrorised them with daggers, and after binding and gagging them, escaped with money, jewellery and clothing to the value of over \$300.

Information recently received by the police helped them to trace the two defendants, who were arrested, the one in Sheung Fui Lane and the other in Mui Fung Lane.

Evidence was given by the old woman and the little girl, and the defendants were then committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions.

Moscow, June 2.  
M. Sokolnikov, formerly Commissar of Finance in the Soviet Government, has been appointed chairman of the Oil Syndicate.

### EVACUATION OF PEKING.

#### FENGTIEN WITHDRAWAL TO MANCHURIA.

#### CHANG'S SWAN SONG.

Peking, June 2, 10.30 p.m.  
Chang Tso-lin's bodyguard has been leaving Peking for the past few days and only a thousand now remain.

It was arranged for Chang Tso-lin to leave by motor car via Kow-pikow, but it is now understood that he has been persuaded to travel by railway, as the line is adequately protected by the Kirin and Heilungkiang troops.

Yesterday afternoon Chang Tso-lin gave an audience to the representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and said that in view of the critical situation and for the welfare of the country, which he had at heart, he had withdrawn his troops from the various fronts for the sake of peace.

His relations with the merchants and people of Peking had been cordial, and he did not want to leave without arranging for the preservation of order in Peking. He had therefore asked Wang Shih-chen, as an Elder Statesman, to take over the responsibility for preserving order in the capital, and he asked merchants to have no fear but to be loyal to Wang Shih-chen.—Reuter.

[Wang Shih-chen is a veteran soldier of the Sino-Japanese war. He was a member of Yuan Shih-kai's cabinet. Now 64 years of age, he has been acting Premier and Minister for War, and has had experience in keeping order during transfer of control. He acted similarly when Feng Yu-hsiang was driven out of Peking two years ago.]

#### Nationalists not to Enter.

Peking, June 2, 10.35 p.m.  
It is reported that Wang Shih-chen telegraphed to Yen Hsi-shan, the Tsuchun of Shensi, who has reached Peking, and Yen Hsi-shan replied that no Shansi, Kuomintang or Nationalist forces would enter Peking.

There appears to be a distinct prospect that Peking will change hands without serious disturbances.—Reuter.

#### Committee of City Elders.

Peking, June 2, 10.40 p.m.  
It is reliably reported that Chang Tso-lin's departure is fixed for midnight to-night.

A large body of police has been ordered to assemble at the station at eleven o'clock.

It is understood that an arrangement has been reached with the Shansi Tsuchun whereby Chang Hsueh-liang (Chang Tso-lin's son) and Yang Tui-ching (Fengtien Chief of Staff) will remain with the bodyguards to attend to the details of the handing over of the city.

During the period between their departure and the arrival of the Shansi forces, the city will be in charge of a committee of City Elders, under Wang Shih-chen, the Cabinet automatically ceasing to exist.—Reuter.

#### Peace Preservation.

Tokyo, June 2.  
A telegram from Peking states that in reply to enquiries from the Peace Preservation Committee of Peking, Chiang Kai-shek, Feng Yu-hsiang and Yen Hsi-shan have jointly announced that they entrust that Committee with the task of preserving peace and order during the transition period and ask them not to allow troops to enter the capital for some time, except a few under the Shansi General Tan Ching-lin who will be appointed Provost Marshal temporarily.

Another report states that uncertainty prevails owing to the rumour that the Communists plot disturbances after the withdrawal of the Northerners.—Reuter.

#### Scenes at Station.

Peking, June 3, 12.30 a.m.  
The Chienmen station presents an extraordinary appearance this

evening. The sidings are filled with trains, mostly packed with Fengtien troops and officials. The platforms are piled high with luggage of all descriptions—furniture, motor cars and perambulators. Occupying the space between the crowds of soldiers, while here and there are some women and children hoping to obtain seats in the trains.

Fresh motor cars loaded with belongings are dashing up continually and adding to the congestion.

The train in which Chang Tso-lin will travel to-night is already waiting. A pilot train and a train of bodyguards will precede the Marshal, who will be followed by more trains of troops.

There is no sign of panic. The soldiers are very orderly and good-humoured.

Many other troops are crowding through the city gates en route for Manchuria by road.—Reuter.

#### Chang Tso-lin Departs.

Peking, June 3, 10.20 a.m.  
Chang Tso-lin left Peking at 1.20 a.m. The delay was due to the arrival of Sun Chuan-fang late in the evening, and a discussion as to the destination to which the latter's troops should be evacuated. It is believed that the question was settled before Chang Tso-lin's departure.—Reuter.

#### His Swan-song.

Peking, June 3.  
Chang Tso-lin last evening issued an urgent circular telegram addressed all over the country.

In it he recalls his recent circular which suggested a cessation of the civil war in view of the international situation created by the Tsinan incident. He says:

"My hope and expectation is that our disputes will soon be wiped out. This would remove the anxiety of the friendly Powers and diminish the perils of Bolshevism."

"With the diplomatic issue remaining open and civil strife continuing, there was a prospect of bloodshed in the metropolitan area which would affect Chinese and Foreign interests alike. The war has stopped trade and the country's economic situation has become deplorable, many people being reduced to homelessness and starvation, to an extent beyond description."

"If we continue to fight, these people will only suffer more. This was not contemplated and not expected when I started my anti-Red campaign. My assumption of my difficult post last year was with the object of saving the States and even though my desire is not fulfilled I cannot bear to continue the military operations. I am therefore ready to evacuate Peking with my troops."

"The Central Administration I have handed over to the Cabinet. For the time being the army commanders will each bear the responsibility for evacuating their troops. Henceforth the political issues are left in the hands of the people."

"I have been a military man half my life, and have met with many difficulties, but I would sacrifice anything for the sake of the welfare of the people."

"Hoping that China will not be exterminated as the result of my management of affairs, and hoping that the Bolshevik peril which I suppressed will not be revived, I declare myself innocent and with a clear conscience to the world and to our future generations."—Reuter.

#### Passes Through Tientsin.

Tientsin, June 3, 12.15 p.m.  
Chang Tso-lin left here for Mukden at 6.55 a.m.

No disturbances have been reported so far.

It is reported that the northern army under the command of Chang Tso-lin's son is expected to move gradually to Manchuria.—Reuter.

#### Streets Heavily Guarded.

Tokyo, June 3, 4.50 p.m.  
According to a message from Peking the streets were heavily guarded.

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### WHY MALARIA RECURS.

Once the spores of the Malaria parasite have become established in the blood something more offensive than quinine—which at best is purely a palliative—is necessary to eliminate them. Unless these spores are completely exterminated they will remain dormant for varying intervals of time, only to break into renewed activity whenever the vitality is lowered by chills, change of temperature, debility, or other causes. Then the victim experiences another bout of this distressing disease.

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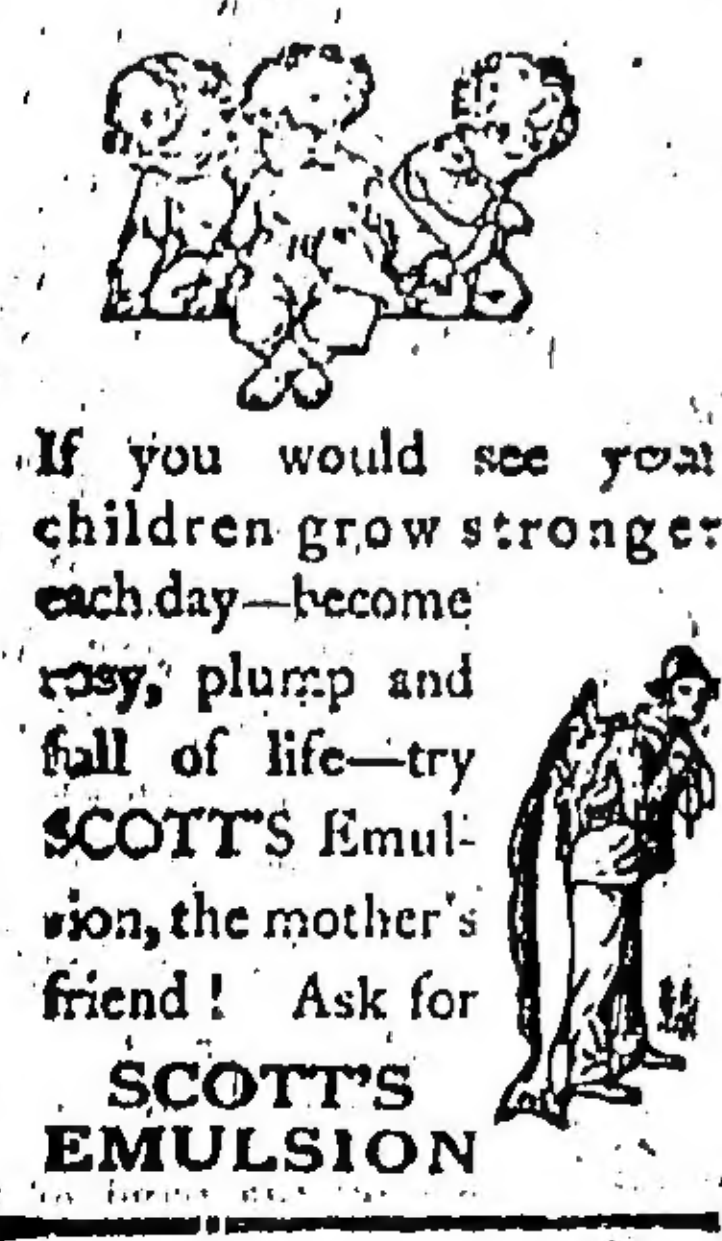
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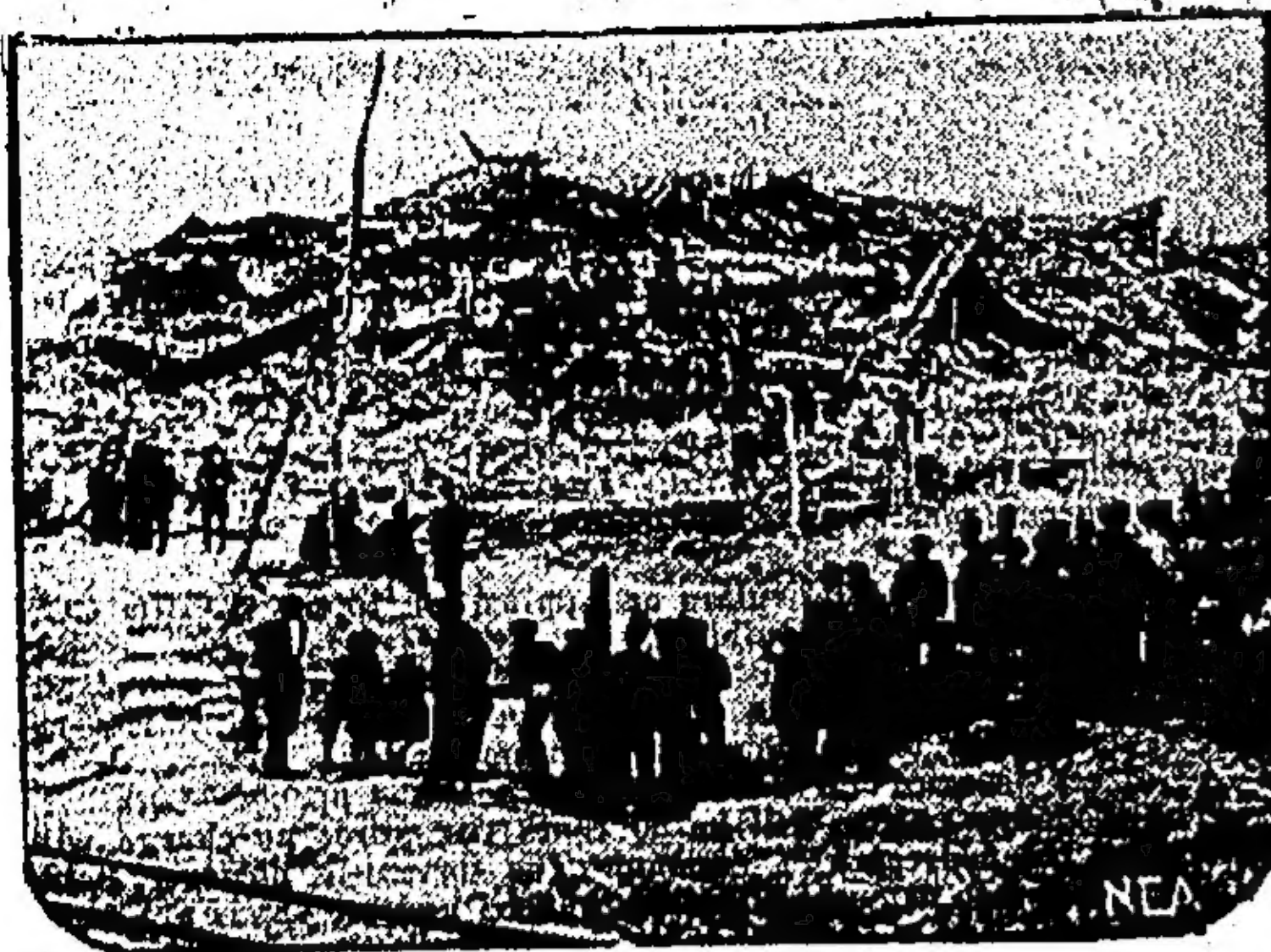


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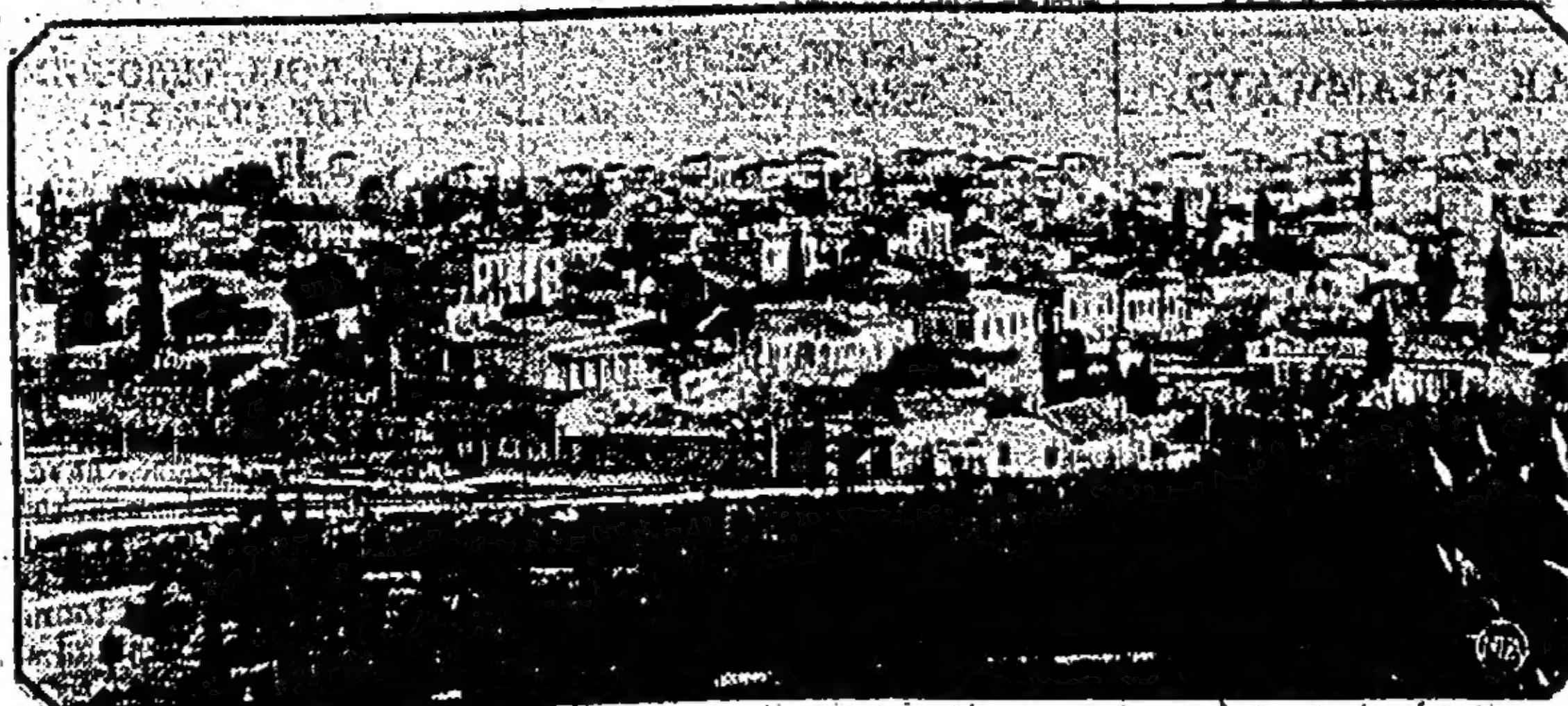
### That's Right, Sam

### By Small





The earthquake that destroyed thousands of homes and killed and injured scores in southern Bulgaria is illustrated above in a picture which shows the debris of the Cooperative Bank at Chirpan.



The series of quakes that shook Central-Greece wrought its greatest damage in Corinth. Over 30 persons were killed and most of the buildings in the city were destroyed. Inhabitants fled to the hills to escape recurrent shocks. This photo shows a general view of the city.



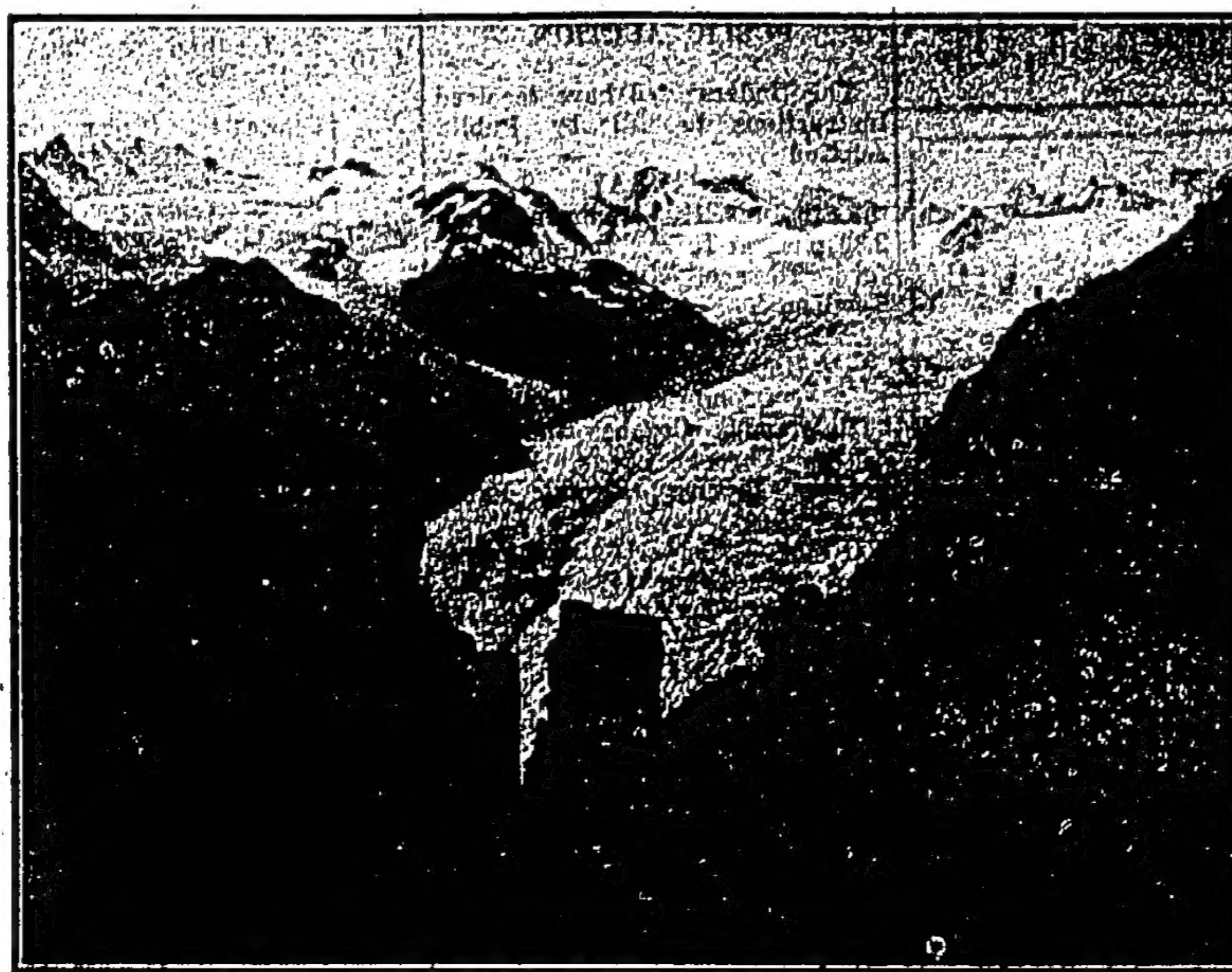
Miss Hermione Baddeley and the Hon. David Tennant, brother of Lord Glenconner, after their wedding at Honrietta Street Register Office. With the bridegroom is his mother, Viscountess Grey of Fallodon. Joan Barry who takes over Miss Baddeley's part in "Lord Babs" is on the bride's right.



This is another portrait of Mr. Winston Churchill on his way to the Houses of Parliament on the occasion of the Budget announcement. The Chancellor of the Exchequer is accompanied by his daughter, Miss Diana Churchill.



The wreckage of the plant of the Alexander Aircraft Co. in Denver, in which nine persons lost their lives in an explosion and fire, is pictured above. Four investigations are under way in an attempt to fix responsibility for the blast, which occurred in a workroom where airplane wings were being sprayed with highly inflammable lacquer.



A striking picture of the Franz Josef Glacier, showing Castle Rocks.

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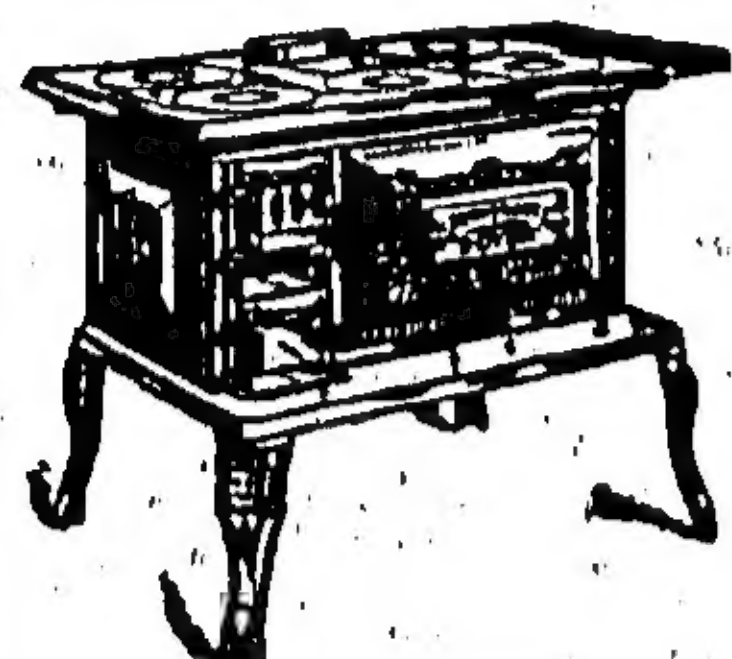
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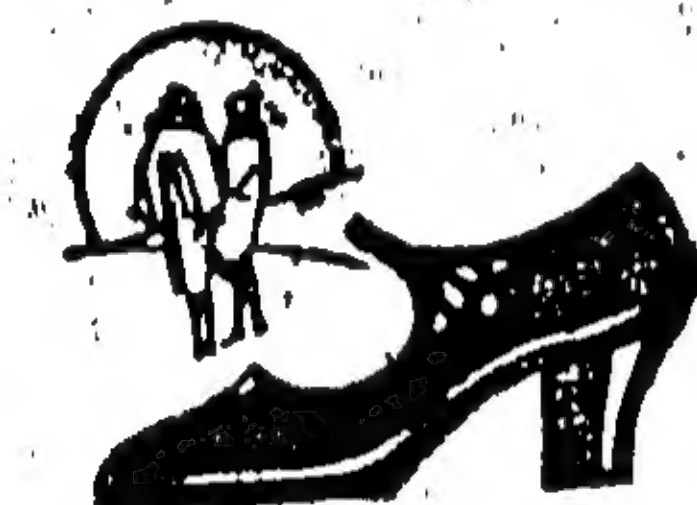


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## FIVE DAY WEEK PLAN.

### AMERICAN CURE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT.

Washington, May 3. The authorities are agreed that there is unemployment in the United States, but disagree as to its extent. Whether this is 8,000,000 (unquestionably a wild exaggeration) or 4,000,000, or fewer than two millions is of less consequence than the cause that has produced it, and that cause, if it be the real one, is decidedly interesting.

Since the Armistice the object of every American manufacturer has been to "speed up." His constant aim has been to turn out more goods at a lower price; to do this he has improved his processes and substituted, wherever possible, the machine for the man.

To him the ideal factory is a place full of machines but with few men, or if men must be employed, they are merely the mechanical complement of the machine. He scraps a machine with a long and useful life before it for something a little better. His ambition is mass production, to which there is no limit except the capacity of his machines and the consumptive power of the public.

### Industrial Paradox.

But there is a third factor in this equation. Society consists of capital, consumer, and labour, and the last is also consumer. So far has the mechanisation of industry been carried that manual labour has been displaced by the machine and the consumptive power of labour is diminished. Hence there is to-day seen in the United States the greatest industrial paradox ever known. There is unemployment at a time of great industrial activity and high wages.

Usually when there is unemployment factory demand languishes, wages fall, and there is a corresponding decline in commodity prices. The prices of staples remain unaffected, and the prices of securities on the Stock Exchange, usually, to reflect the truth of industrial and other conditions.

Money is abundant and, until quite recently, cheap. It is only labour that feels the pinch. In this emergency labour, and some eminent capitalists agree, says the only solution is a shorter working week. Mr. William Green, the President of the American Federation of Labour, after long years of study, gives it as his conviction that the next step is a working week of five days; not five days' pay for six days' work, but on the basis of six days' pay for five days' work.

### Belief in High Wages.

It is a necessity, he claims, because, he is quoted: "Our producing power has gone ahead so fast that it is estimated many of our basic industries, if they were to work at full capacity, could produce in six months more than is now consumed in a year. And many large manufacturing establishments close their doors for weeks each year for lack of people to buy their products. These and other similar facts indicate that it takes less time to produce goods which we need than it took before the modern improvements were introduced. A great deal of this extra time is now wasted in unemployment and seasonal slack periods. As one way to stabilise employment the shorter week has been suggested."

The support given to the five days a week proposal by the Press is rather impressive, and it is noteworthy there is no suggestion that wages should be reduced or the working day lengthened.

Trade unions in the dyeing and allied trades have informed the employers that unless a satisfactory agreement is reached in the wages dispute by the second week in June 35,000 operatives will cease work.

# WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## Coloured Baths.

### RIGHT FITMENTS FOR NEW ROOM.

Perfection in anything from the modern point of view means not only that it is the most attractive of its kind, but also the most convenient.

So the "perfect" modern bathroom is not only made charming by Mexican anyx or coloured porcelain and china furniture. It saves space by also acting as the dressing-room to the bed-room, and the dividing door is covered on the bed-room side by a full-length mirror which saves the necessity for a long glass. The occupant of the "best room" gaily opens her mirror and trips into her bathroom.

A very big reason for the popularity of the coloured bathroom is that it does not "give one the shivers to look at." Consciously or otherwise, people are chilled at the sight of the all-white room and, according to a nerve specialist, it is better for people suffering from nerve trouble to use coloured bath-rooms.

The modern bath-room has all the dignity of a room. In former days it was more like a recess. Now it has a proper window, the lighting is studied, and it is furnished with all the care paid to the colour scheme of another room.

The dining-room and drawing-room were considered by our mothers to be the most important. We are more interested in the drawing-room and bath-room.

Decorative schemes for the modern bath-room are many and attractive.

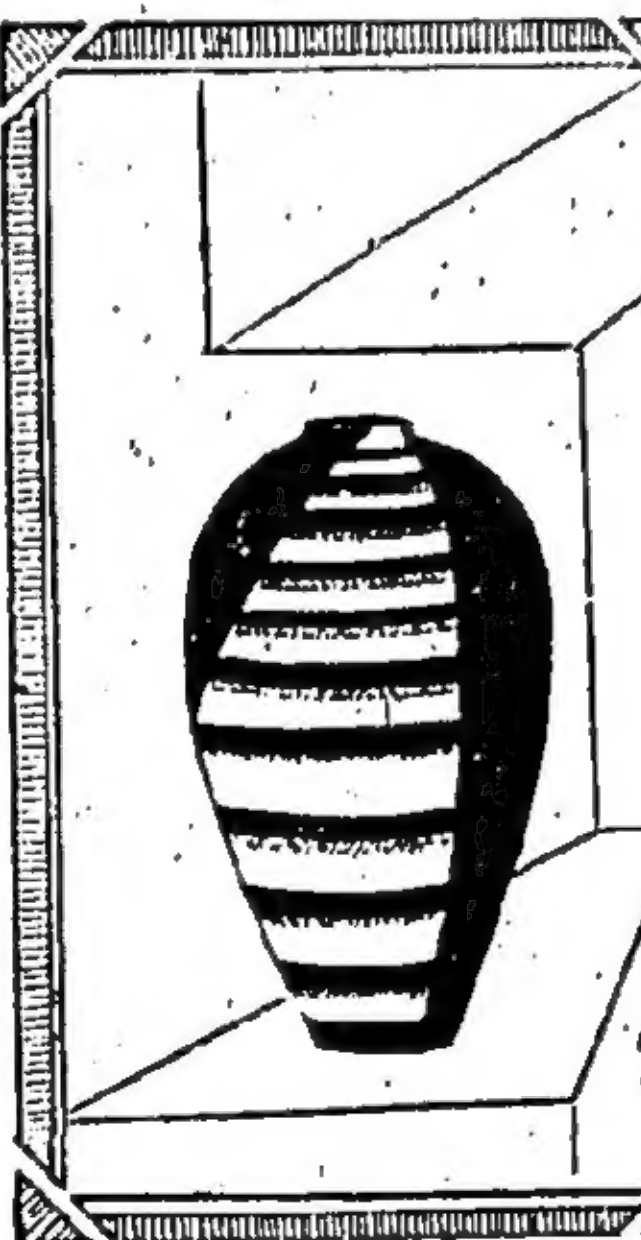
There are the bath-rooms in which the floor, walls, and even the window-frame are of softly coloured mosaics in greens and blues. In this room the bath and other furniture are usually white.

Blue, pink, green, yellow—in these and other shades it is possible now to get the bath, basin, and various fittings. This coloured furniture is immensely popular, and calls for walls and floor tiled in the same shades.

A bath-room scheme for the wealthy consists of real marble paneled walls, a bath to match, and Mexican onyx basin and dressing-table.

The modern bath-room contains not only bath and basin, but a shower in a glass recess and a china dressing-table to hold toilet accessories. Everything is for easy cleaning and easy management.

## A Home Hint.



Black and white introduces some unusual markings on this modernistic vase of egg-shell lacquer.



Pictured is Miss Anna Frederick of Luxembourg, one of the competitors of the International Pageant of Pulchritude, assembling at Galveston, Texas, from June 2 to 5.

## Women's Fashions.

### 125 YEARS OF CHANGE.

In the last 125 years women have run through a whole cycle of fashions. They have tried enveloping themselves in crinolines and sitting into skin-tight dresses; they have swathed their legs with flounces or trains and they have uncovered themselves to the knees; at one time even their throats were hugged by bits of net and their arms were concealed by balloon sleeves; now arms and throats, not to mention backs, are fully exposed.

In all these extraordinary changes an interesting part has been played by Dickins and Jones, which is celebrating its 125th anniversary. The business was transferred to Regent-street in 1835, and the present establishment, crowded by busy women shoppers.

The remarkable thing about the 125 years of fashions is that the fashions of 1928 have a great deal in common with the fashions of 1803. But in the intervening years, chiefly between 1835 and 1927, there were many extremes and absurdities of fashion. At the one end of the scale was the record dress for which 1,100 yards of muslin were used. At the 1927 end is the dress in which 1½ yards of material are used. But when in connexion with the coming celebrations an official at his shop tried to find a 1928 dress a contrast with Lady Hamilton's gown in the Reynolds picture he had to discard one creation after another as possessing too many period touches.

Next week says a writer in nail week, the whole of the building will be a mass of flowers from the street. Inside, period presses on the ground floor will show the revolution that has taken place in fashion.

One of the chief changes is in the materials. Nowadays dress fabrics are "floppy" and the firm had to have stiff silks specially made for one of the period dresses to be shown—that worn by Mrs. Siddons in the Gainsborough pictures. The dress is an exact

## Cushions.

### MADE FROM SCRAPS OF SILK.

There are always new fashions in pretty things for the house as well as for My Lady. Cushions are perhaps the most fascinating little touches of luxury and colour in the modern home, and the housewife who is really a woman at heart loves her bright pillows and pouffes of frilled silk, embroidered satin, and Oriental prints.

Now comes the latest notion in cushion art, and in the modern type of home at least it is sure to have a two-fold appeal. For the new cushion covers are made of jumper silk—old pieces left over from those knitting days—and worked in the simple stitches we know so well. To those who possess a scrap-bag full of odd colours, whether plain twist, crepe, or boucle, a new cushion is a charming and economical means for using up odd scraps.

If possible, do not mix your silks, for plain and crepe twist look best with their own kind. Choose all the gayest and warmest colours in the silk bag, and without any studied scheme commence to knit them into varying stripes. About 120 stitches should be wide enough for the average cushion. Just as was done in jumper days, knit one plain row and one puri, using fairly fine aluminium needles and knitting evenly.

Introduce narrow bands of black or brown among the bright colours, and when the square is completed, crochet a border of black all round.

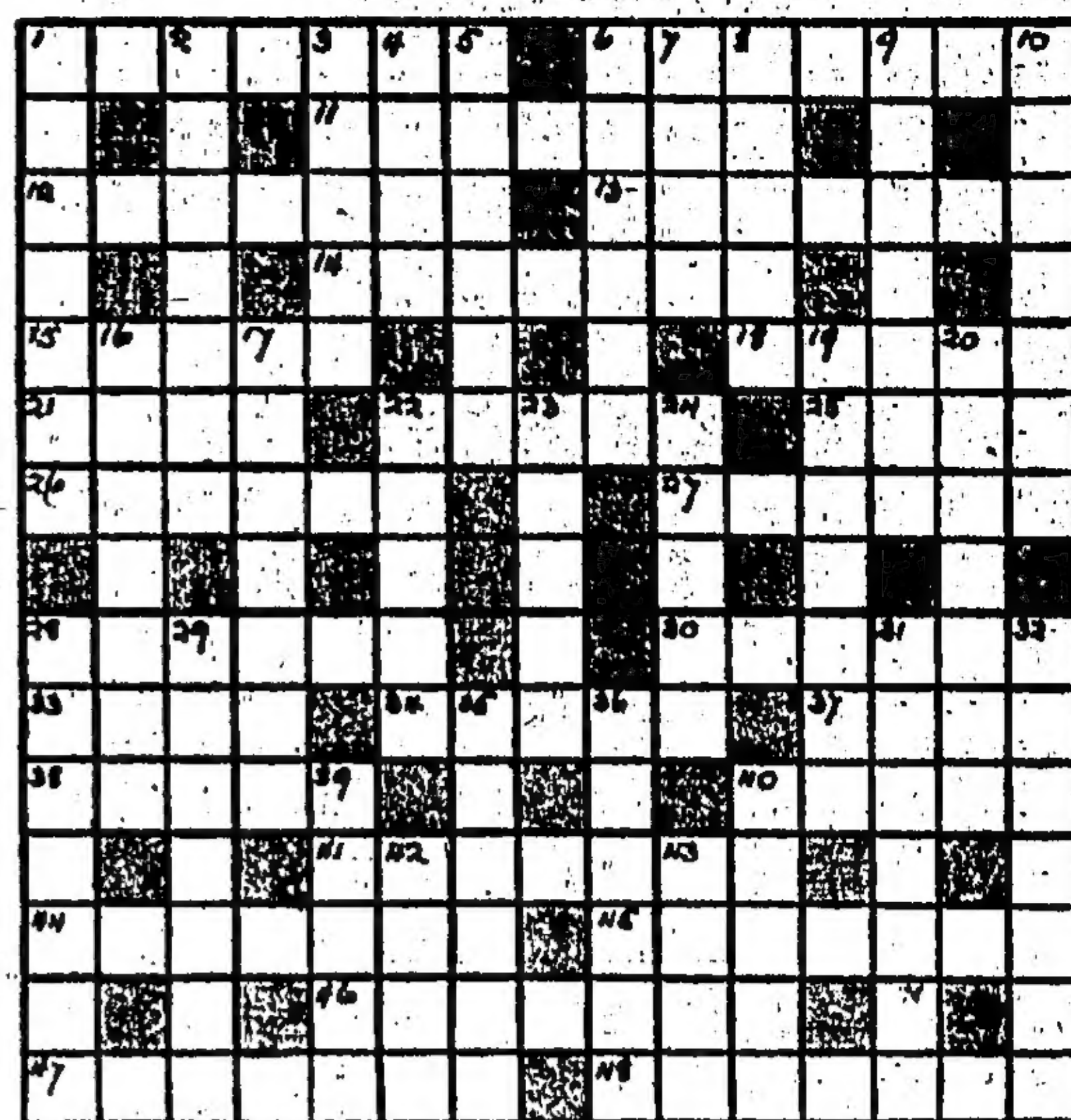
The back portion of the cushion cover is knitted in any neutral shade of silk, or if there are scraps of dull tones, work them into tasteful stripes in the same way.

The finished cushion cover will strike a delightful note of originality and colour in the simple modern room.

reproduction and two girls were employed two days in sewing on the blue-ribbon stripes.

A bodice made by the firm sixty years ago will be on view.

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

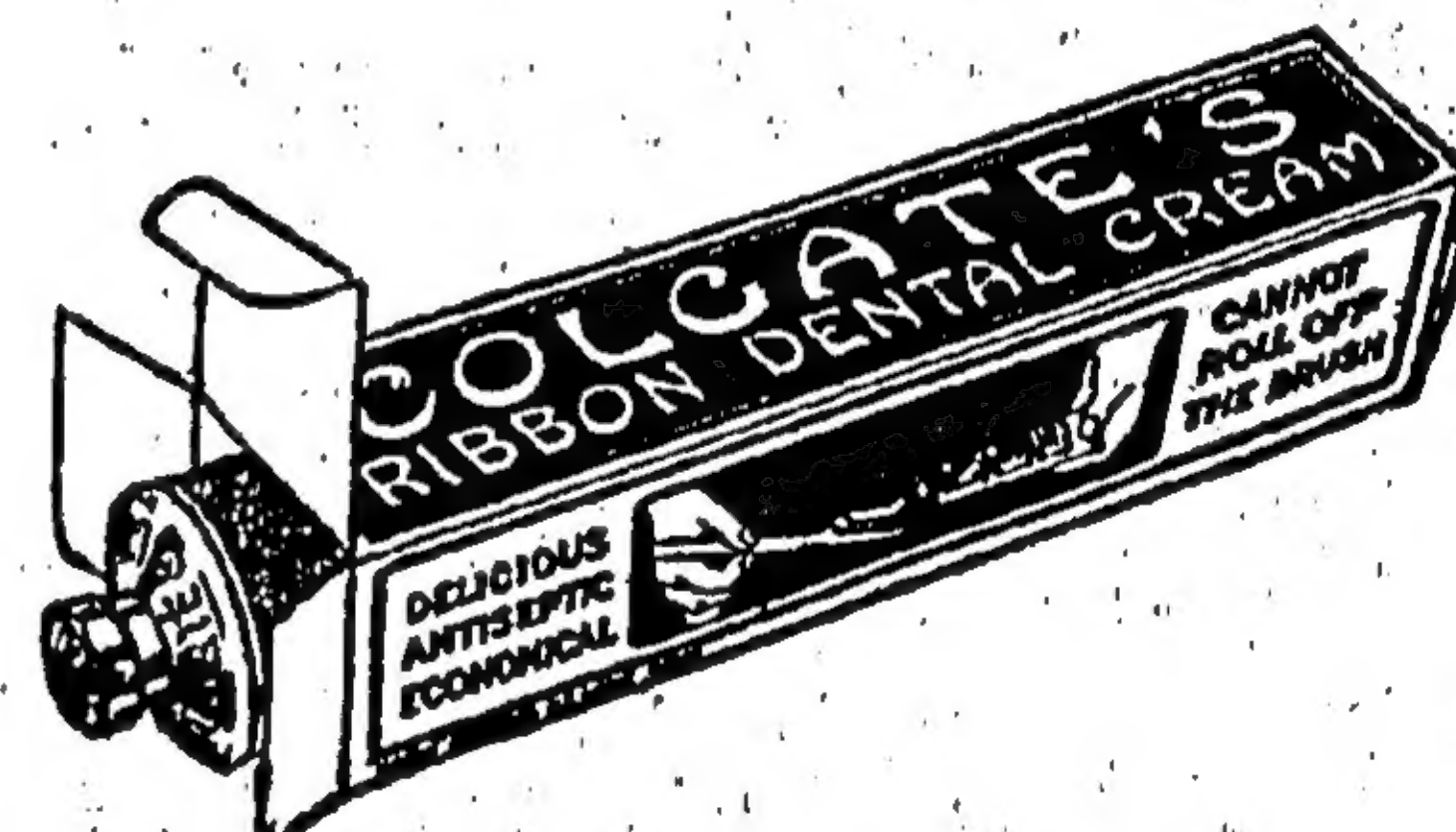


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1 Naval port.  
6 Influenza.  
11 Fence.  
12 Fidgety.  
13 Relating to the breast bone.  
14 Pattern.  
15 Notions.  
21 Pond.  
22 Ascend.  
25 Cooking apparatus.  
26 Quicken.  
27 Father.  
28 Give ear.  
30 Shut.  
33 Land surrounded by water.  
34 Twine.  
37 Sandhill.  
38 Break.  
40 Tears.  
41 Extend.  
44 Inner surface of side.  
45 Rude ancient structures.  
46 Cassock.  
47 Running stem (Bot).  
48 Withdraw.

Down.  
16 Two fold division.  
17 Indelible nouns.  
19 Eat away.  
20 Gentle.  
22 About.  
23 Feet consisting of two syllables.  
24 Excess of the solar month.  
25 Imperfect speakers.  
29 False tale.  
31 Species of bear.  
32 Forbear.  
35 Valuable timber.  
38 Hindustan captain.  
39 Fortenalls.  
40 Let away.  
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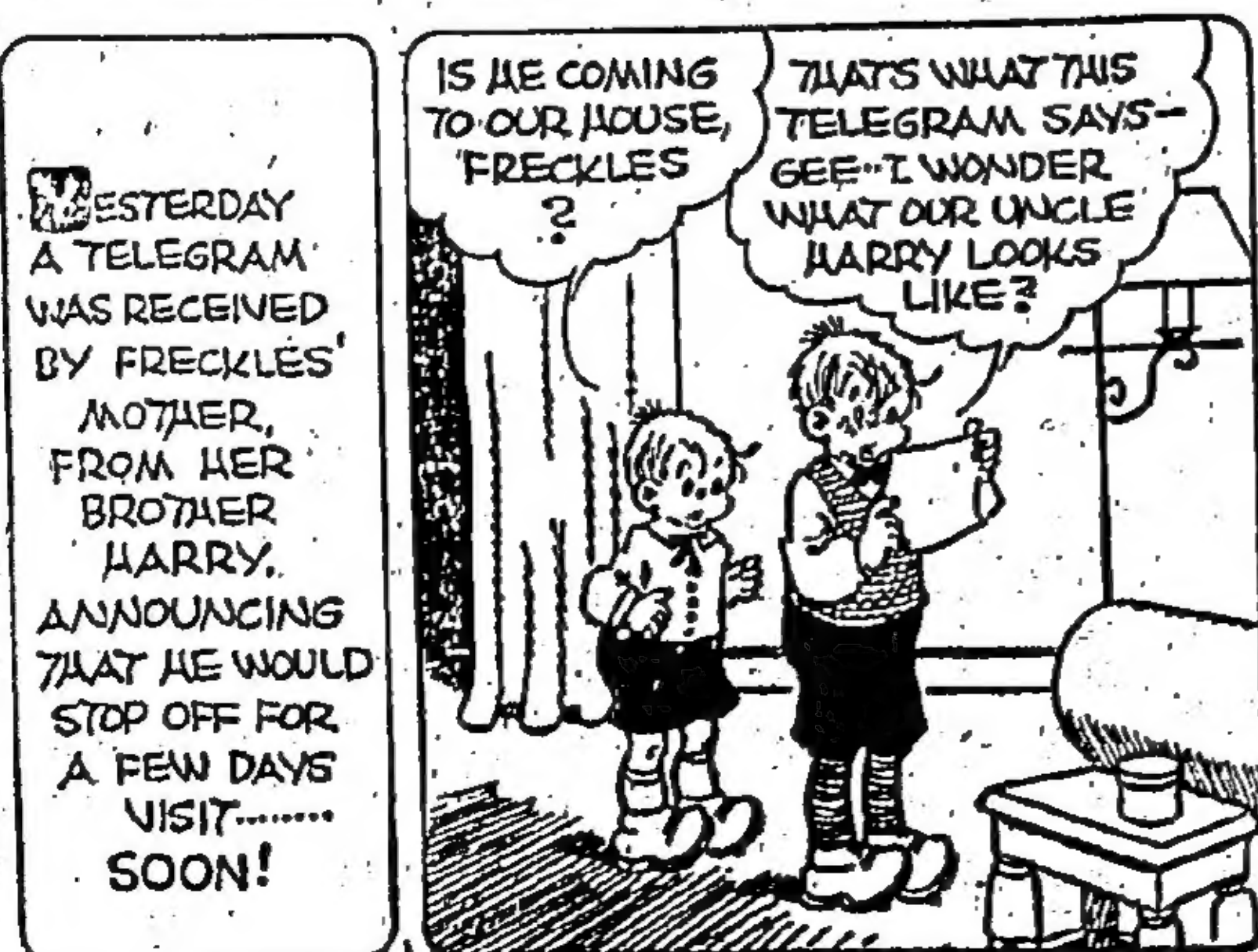
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MONDAY, JUNE 4, 1928.

### THE WATER PROBLEM.

Hongkong has had more than a week of dull, wet weather now, and it is surprising how it affects us all. We are so used to bright, sunny weather that when we get a break, we all become more or less depressed and "down in the dumps." What we should do in the Old Country, where, at certain seasons of the year, the sun does not come out for weeks on end, is better left to the imagination. But if we have, for some days past, had more overcast weather than we like, the benefits of the recent heavy fall of rain must not be overlooked. The European community is not greatly inconvenienced when rain shortage begins to cause a shrinkage in the contents of our reservoirs, but with the Chinese the position is quite otherwise. As soon as there are indications of depleted supplies of water, the eastern district gets automatically put on rations, and so serious was the situation before the rain of last week that the whole rider-main district was affected in this way. What that means to the Chinese community we all know—the long waits by queues of people at the standpipes, and the unseemly scramble for supplies during the few hours that the water is turned on. Occasionally, the European community has, in periods of extreme shortage, been also rationed, and we can recall the inconvenience felt, even though the restricted supplies were always available in the house itself. It is therefore easy to understand the relief experienced by the Chinese when, as now, full supplies are available after many weeks of rationing.

The Colony's trouble, of course, is not that, during the course of a year, we get an insufficient fall of rain. In most years we get more rain than we need. But the mischief is that we have not sufficient storage facilities to enable us to cater for our growing population. Periodically, as during the past week, we get heavy rains; but, owing to our lack of adequate reservoirs, tons of water from the hillsides run to waste, finding a way down the nullahs and natural courses into the harbour. There is also, of course, a great deal of preventable

wastage, which it is extremely difficult to prevent. That, we fear, will always be the case. Maybe if we had to pay for all the water we use, we should be far less prodigal than we are. However, the Colony's greatest need is increased storage facilities, and the problem is one that is forced on our attention with recurring emphasis every year that passes by. The Government is well aware of the facts, and it realises the necessity of something being done. We have been promised a seasonal paper on the whole question, and it is high time that this was forthcoming, for there has been quite enough delay in dealing with the situation. The necessities being known, it is now only a question of the best method to be applied. There has apparently been some divergence of viewpoint on this issue, which probably accounts for the delay. At the moment, the authorities appear to favour the Aberdeen scheme, but even when that is completed it is doubtful whether the additional facilities will be sufficient to meet the needs of Hongkong Island some years hence.

When the Tytani Tuk reservoir was built, it was believed that this would solve the water problem for very many years, but events have falsified those hopes. We therefore trust that when action is definitely decided on, the policy will be on the lines of taking the long view. We do not want this water problem constantly recurring. Let us make provision not only for the present, but for the future as well. But the chief essential is that the Government makes up its mind and brings the question from the realm of discussion into that of practical action.

### The King's Birthday.

The deeply impressive ceremony at the Cenotaph this morning, the Colony's tribute to His Majesty the King on the occasion of his sixty-third birthday, in spite of the inclement weather, gave a host of loyal subjects an opportunity of publicly signifying fealty to a beloved Sovereign. Lacking the splendour and colour of the military pageant of a year ago, nevertheless the celebration to-day possessed a peculiar appeal for many present, serving as a reminder of the outstanding and most testing years of His Majesty's reign, through which, by sheer force of character, he emerged so triumphantly. Similar observations of the auspicious anniversary will have been held all over the world by British subjects to-day, and it may safely be said that, eighteen years after His Majesty's accession, loyalty and devotion to the Throne is more strongly-rooted than ever. The years have not been easy ones; the anxiety and turmoil after the Great War saw monarchies in Europe crumble one after the other, but in the British Empire to-day, King George retains the popular goodwill of his people. In an age of democracy, the King has entered fully into the life of the country, and in all things, has proved himself as devoted to the requirements of his kingship as his subjects are to His Majesty. It is the close touch which he has always maintained with British affairs, and the manner in which the Royal House has kept pace with public opinion, that has established the tremendous popularity which he enjoys. The personal integrity and sincerity of His Majesty are beyond question, and the whole Empire will join in congratulations on his sixty-third birthday, and in a heart-felt prayer "God Save the King."

Frederick Castro, a Peruvian, appeared before Major C. Wilson at the Central Magistracy on Saturday morning, charged with being a vagrant. Sub-inspector Elston said that defendant was repatriated from Singapore and was to have been transhipped on arrival in Hongkong. A hitch occurred in the passport arrangements, and he was asked for the defendant's commitment to the House of Detention until such time as matters were straightened out and the defendant could be forwarded on his journey. The necessary order was made by the Magistrate.

### DAY BY DAY.

THERE IS NO REAL SUBSTITUTE FOR BRAINS. THE PRETENDED SUBSTITUTE IS SILENCE.

The "Empress of Canada" left Shanghai on Saturday at 1 p.m. and is due at Hongkong this afternoon. She leaves Hongkong for Manila to-morrow at 5 p.m.

At a meeting of the Committee for 1928-1929 of the Hongkong Chinese Recreation Club, Mr. Ng Sze Kwong and Mr. C. F. Lee were re-elected Chairman and Secretary respectively, and Mr. Cheung U Pui was elected Honorary Treasurer.

An additional health bulletin of Eastern ports, issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, contains the following further cases, the figures in parentheses indicating deaths: Plague, Suez 2, Aden 1 (1), Haifa 1 (1), Bombay (1); Cholera, Basra 1 (1); Small-pox, Basra 2 (2), Bombay 2.

Considerable excitement was caused last night shortly before midnight when the Chinese community welcomed the occasion of the eclipse of the moon with the firing of fire-crackers, burning of incense sticks and joss papers, and the striking of gongs and other musical instruments. The superstitious belief being that these noises would frighten away the evil spirits responsible for the eclipse.

The rainfall at the Botanic Gardens last month was 19.18 inches, according to figures supplied by Mr. E. B. Twemlow, the Superintendent of the Botanic and Forestry Department. It rained on twenty of the thirty-one days, the heaviest fall being on the 20th when 3.94 ins. was recorded. The next day the measurement was 2.38 ins., on the 14th 2.34 ins. was registered and on the 31st 2.14 ins. Over an inch fell on the 24th and the 28th.

### "CAPTAIN SALVATION."

#### A BIG SEA DRAMA COMING HERE.

The famous Swedish actor, Lars Hanson, is cast as the leading player in "Captain Salvation," a thrilling picture which comes to the Queen's Theatre on Thursday next, according to a special advertisement in this issue. "Captain Salvation" is a vivid drama of the sea. Lars Hanson appears as a young student who forsakes his calling and turns to the sea where he figures in a great adventure, aboard a convict ship, culminating in a terrific fight 75 feet above the deck of the vessel. Pauline Starke portrays the role of a "scarlet" woman. A remarkable figure in the picture is Ernest Torrence, who plays the part of a fiendish captain of the convict ship. Other notable players in the cast are Marceline Day, George Fawcett, and Sam de Grasse. "Captain Salvation," which was taken from the brilliant novel by Frederick William Wallace, has been produced on a large scale with compelling realism.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### CRUELTY TO PONIES.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—I hope you will kindly grant me space in your valuable columns to point out the deplorable cruelties to ponies, around the Happy Valley district.

The Lee Gardens have just lately opened a stable, and several ponies are hired out at 50 cents per hour. Day in, and day out, you can see big and small hiring these unfortunate animals out.

You can just imagine, how these poor animals suffer, if they are hired out by ignorant people. All they care is to get as much fun out of their 50 cents, and especially when they have to reckon with the time limit.

If you will take a stroll around this district, any time in the evening, you will see as many as four or five people taking turns on one pony.

All these riders are either armed with a short stick or whip, galloping at full speed, regardless of their own or other people's safety, and incidentally causing great suffering to the poor animals. It is a case for the authorities, and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and I hope they will jointly take up this matter in earnest.—Your etc.,

HAVE A HEART.

Hongkong, June 3rd, 1928.

### SIR FREDERICK WHYTE ON CHINA.

#### CHINA AND FOREIGN POWERS.

By Sir Frederick Whyte, K.C.S.I. Published under the auspices of the Royal Institute of International Affairs. (Oxford University Press, 3s. 6d.)

[By Lady Hoole in the Observer.] Eighteen months ago a well-known Chinese publicist, a charming man, a friend, was staying in our house. After an evening's talk, he said to me, "If Great Britain and America want China's friendship, they must outbid Russia." "Doesn't that sound a trifle like bribery?" I queried. "No woman," he exclaimed, "with unnecessary heat, 'ever understands international affairs.'"

Yet I feel it a matter for congratulation that Sir Frederick Whyte's invaluable brochure, "China and Foreign Powers," should in a second and revised edition be lying on my desk. I welcome the additions to the Historical Documents in the Appendix, which has been skilfully compiled so as to give the core of the China situation. And I look forward with pleasant anticipations to a Third Edition.

This revised edition contains an admirable resume of the events of the last two years, and much new matter with regard to Russia and Japan. It is impossible to understand China's present perplexities without weighing the effect on her of the reaction of these two nations to Soviet ideas. "It seems hard to see that the mental crisis of Europe, her fears and her wars, should have such overwhelming effects on far-off China; and we certainly owe China something on this account. The author considers 'interference' undesirable. What is the solution for these unremedied 'interferences'?"

It cannot be a matter for pride to the West that a nation may not help a sister nation without incurring suspicion. An occasional detail calls for query: Undoubtedly, for instance, Sir Thomas Wade believed, there were incontrovertible reasons for blaming the Yunnan officials, rather than the hillmen, for Mr. Margary's murder in 1875; and tradition and logic uphold him. The murder was a final catastrophe, after years of official obstruction of treaty provisions.

On the other hand, one must feel a rush of deep satisfaction that so keen a thinker as the author should, after much probing, give so clean a sheet to successive British governments.

The author assumes that the abolition of foreign extra-territorial rights is an aim in itself, that these rights are intrinsically debasing. In the interests of both Chinese and foreigners this point is debatable. The foreigners' rights are a small thing indeed compared with the rights and urgent needs of the Chinese. The Chinese multitudes and it is the judiciary justice enjoyed by the foreigners which has made, right-minded Chinese eager for similar justice for their own people, within their own borders. Again, sometimes the author gives the same impression as my Chinese publicist: that Chinese goodwill can be bought and sold as at auction. Obviously this is far from the real opinion of either of them. Britain does indeed desire China's goodwill, but still more does she desire China's welfare. A friend will temporarily forfeit goodwill for that greater end, if need be. As for seeking British leadership in Chinese affairs to-day, every lover of China is inclined rather to echo Livingstone, and call down Heaven's blessing on anyone, "Turk, atheist, or infidel," who will lay gentle hands of healing on her wounds. But intelligence is needed also, and this brochure helps.

### STERLING OR PIASTRES

#### HOUSE OF LORDS DECIDES AGAINST BANK.

The House of Lords has given judgment in the case The Ottoman Bank v. Khalil Jebara, a Manchester merchant and shipowner. The point in dispute was the currency in which money collected in Turkey by the Bank for the respondent should be paid. Mr. Jebara claimed to be paid in sterling, but the Bank maintained that they should hand it over in the Turkish currency in which it was collected. Owing, however, to the depreciation which followed the war, this represented a considerable loss to Mr. Jebara.

The Courts below gave judgment for Mr. Jebara, and the Bank appealed to the House of Lords, where arguments were heard by Lord Dunedin, Shaw, Phillimore, Carson, and Blanesburgh.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt found that Mr. Jebara should receive £3,161 and £1,205 interest, but the Court of Appeal decided that the sum due to him should in the event of no agreement between the parties themselves be settled by a special referee.

Their Lordships recalled the decision of the Court of Appeal and restored that of Mr. Justice Rowlatt, and ordered that Mr. Jebara have his costs in that House and in the Courts below, they being of opinion that the Bank constituted themselves debtors in sterling, and therefore in sterling they must pay.

### The Very Idea!

The Royal Institution is used to bangs. Learned professors have frequently made explosions, of the lecture-theatre kind, for the amusement and instruction of juvenile and other audiences.

The Institution, whose windows were broken, and whose basement rooms damaged in such unmannerly fashion recently was established in 1799, mainly through the exertions of Count Rumford, whose name can scarcely be said to be widely known to-day. The meetings of the Institution began in 1800, and the fine private houses which had been acquired were adopted to its purpose, and a fine architectural front, from the designs of Mr. L. Vulliamy, was added.

The name most intimately connected with the Institution is that of Michael Faraday, the blacksmith's son, who, under the tutelage of Sir Humphry Davy, became one of the best-known scientists of his day and a great pioneer of electrical science. Practically the whole of his working life was spent at the Royal Institution.

An Irishman once came to be married when he was very drunk. "Take him away," said the clergyman to the bride, "and bring him back when he's sober. I won't marry a man who is drunk." "But, sure, your reverence, what can I do?" replied the weeping bride, "he won't come when he's sober."

Much is being made of an Athens doctor's invention of an electric machine, which it is claimed will kill an influenza germ in precisely 15 minutes. Just how the influenza germ is singled out for slaughter—whether it is first roped and thrown in the approved roped manner—is not stated. It is to be hoped that the device is more effective than the "moving platform" type of fly catcher which appears to liberate two flies for every one it captures.

"Where's your tooth-brush?" demanded the inspecting captain.

"Here, sir," said Private Brown, producing a large scrubbing brush. "You don't mean to tell me you can get that thing into your mouth, do you?" shouted the captain angrily.

"No, sir," replied Brown, without changing his expression, "I takes me teeth out."

Professor Andrade recently informed an audience that James Watt was not led to invent the steam engine by watching the lid of his mother's kettle rising and falling. It was an adult James Watt who, called on to repair a model Newcomen engine, began to think of something that might be more efficient.

Alas! that none of the eminent men ever did the things in their childhood of which we learned in our own. George Washington never cut down that little cherry tree and according to more recent historians he was quite as capable a liar as the rest of us. We can only console ourselves with the reflection that the tales we were told ought to have been true, even if they were not, and we should feel grateful to the ingenious people who have provided so many suitable anecdotes to adorn the frequently dull record of the childhood of the great.

Man at Highgate: He could not see me raise my hand, because he cannot hear.

Wilkesden landlady: I gave my tenant notice to quit, but she says that if I want my rooms I must fight her for them.

Police constable at Lambeth: The man is lame. Mr. Rooth (the magistrate): Is that why you caught him?

Wilkesden magistrate: You want your husband to be a better man? Woman: No, I do not. What I want is to become rid of him.

Solicitor to Walthamstow man: Can you fix the exact time of the accident? Man: For certain, I was waiting for the public house to open.

An angler went to heaven and told a fishing yarn. He noticed one man laughing heartily, and obviously incredulously.

"Who's that fellow?" he demanded angrily.

"Just Jonah! Just Jonah!" was the reply.

The Royal Society of Portrait Painters announces that in future its annual exhibitions will be held in the Grafton Galleries, Grafton Street, which have been reconstructed on modern lines.



## KING'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

## K. C. B.

Air-Marshal Sir John Higgins, K.C.M.G., who has been Air Member for Supply and Research of the Air Council since 1926. He served in the South African and European Wars, and from 1924 to 1926 was Commander of the Royal Air Force contingents in Iraq.

The Rev. Alfred C. E. Jarvis, who has been Chaplain-General to the Forces since 1925, and Chaplain-in-Ordinary to the Queen since the same date. After eight years of religious work in the Church, he became a Chaplain to the Forces at Woolwich in 1909 since when he has served wholly with the Forces being Principal Chaplain to the Forces in Mesopotamia from 1917 to 1919, during which he was three times mentioned in despatches, and specially promoted.

## Privy Councillor.

Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson, who has been Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs since September, 1925. Prior to that time he had served in the Foreign Office and Diplomatic Service, and was Under-Secretary of State for the Home Office from 1923 to 1925.

## New Baronets.

The Rt. Hon. Edward Mervyn Archdale, P.C., the Irish politician. He has been Minister of Agriculture and Commerce in the Northern Ireland Government since 1925. He has served in Parliament from 1898. In his earlier years, he served with the Royal Navy on the China Station in H.M.S. Juno.

Mr. William Walter Carlile, O.B.E., who was an Alderman of the Bucks County Council, chairman of the Bucks standing joint Committee, chairman of the Magisterial Bench, and County Commissioner for Boy Scouts.

Major William Cope, M.P., who has been Lord Commissioner of the Treasury since 1924. He is largely interested in the Welsh coalfields. He is an old Cambridge rugby Blue, and a Welsh international.

Sir Haviland Walter de Sausmarez, Kt., who retired from H.B.M.'s Supreme Court for China in 1921 after sixteen years service. Previously, he was a barrister on the South Eastern circuit at Home and was assistant Judge in H.M.'s Consular Court for Zanzibar, assistant Judge in the Ottoman Dominions, and was Judge of the Supreme Court at Home in 1903-5. Whilst at Shanghai, he frequently came to Hongkong to preside at Full Court appeal cases. He is living in retirement at Guernsey.

Mr. Robert Williams, the Managing Director of the Tanganyika Concessions, Limited.

## Knight of the Thistle.

The Marquess of Linlithgow, who was Civil Lord of the Admiralty in 1922 to 1924, and Chairman of the Royal Commission on Indian Agriculture in 1925. Among his many public offices, he has been President of the Navy League.

## Knight Bachelor.

Captain George Hubert Wilkins, the famous Polar explorer, who has recently flown over the North Pole.

## Knights.

Professor William Arthur Craigie, who was joint-editor of the Oxford English Dictionary from 1921, which has just been completed, and also Professor of English at the University of Chicago. He is a well-known authority on English and books on these subjects.

Mr. Archibald Hurd, who has been on the editorial staff of the Daily Telegraph since 1899. He was engaged to collaborate in writing the Official History of the Merchant Navy in the War, under the auspices of the Committee of Imperial Defence. Most of his writings have concerned Naval and mercantile marine matters.

Mr. Max Pemberton, the well-known author of many books since 1891. He was editor of Cassell's Magazine for ten years and has latterly written numbers of reviews and plays.

Mr. Nigel Playfair, the well-known actor-manager of the Lyric Theatre. Began his stage work with the O.U.D.S., and was subsequently developed in company with F. R. Benson, H. Beerbohm Tree, George Alexander and Granville Barker.

Mr. Percy Graham Mackinnon, the chairman of Lloyd's in 1925 and 1927. He is still a Member of the Committee of Lloyd's Register of Shipping, and was one time chairman of the Salvage Association.

Mr. John Sandeman.

Mr. Allen Victor Raphael.

Harari (Victor) Pasha, C.M.G., who was the late Director-General of Accounts in the Egyptian Ministry of Finance.

Mr. John Buck Lloyd, the Financial Director of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company.

Mr. Benjamin Howell Morgan, F.R.G.S., the well-known Empire Trade expert. He was Chief Technical Adviser to the Ministry of National Service in 1918, and was a Member of the Imperial Conference Advisory Committee on Crown Colonies in 1923. He has previously served as Trade Commissioner to South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and Canada at various times.

Mr. Gualterus Stewart Schneider, who has been Senior Puisne Judge in the Supreme Court of Ceylon since 1922. He first went to Ceylon in 1898, and later acted temporarily as Solicitor-General and Attorney-General.

## C.B.

Mr. Charles Patrick Duff, who has been Private Secretary to Mr. Stanley Baldwin for several years.

## Other Decorations.

Among other decorations bestowed is the Air Force Cross on Flight-Lieutenant Greig, who was recently appointed to the command of the high speed experiment section of the R.A.F., and who will command the next British Schneider Cup team; the Military Cross on Captain Christopher Ronald Spear, of the 6th/13th Frontier Force Rifles of the Indian Army, in recognition of gallant and distinguished service in China in March 1927.

## OTHER EASTERN HONOURS.

## Lengthy List of Recipients.

Other Eastern honours are as follows:

## C. M. G.

Mr. Reginald Johnston, Commissioner at Weihaiwei. Was formerly a cadet in the Hongkong Government service and Private Secretary to the Governor from 1900 to 1902. Became Assistant Colonial Secretary in 1904, in which year he was appointed Secretary to the Weihaiwei Government, being made District Officer and Magistrate in 1906. In 1917, he was offered the degree of LL.D. by the Hongkong University. Administered the Weihaiwei Government in 1917-18 and in the following year was appointed on the invitation of the Peking Government as tutor to the boy Emperor Hsuan Tung.

Mr. H. J. Brett. Is at present acting Commercial Counsellor at Shanghai.

Mr. Lancelot Giles, Consul at Swatow. His first consular appointment was in 1899, and he has served as Consul at Tongyueh and Changsha. Holds the China Medal and clasp for taking part in the defence of the Pink Legion in the Boxer Rising.

Mr. John Humphreys. Has been Governor of British North Borneo since 1926. Entered the Colonial Service in 1905, and has served in Malacca, Dindings, Johore, Trengganu and Kedah.

## K. B. E.

Major General C. C. van Straubenzee. Is General Officer Commanding the Troops in Malaya. Has seen much service in the Royal Artillery. In the Great War, he was mentioned four times in despatches and holds high British and French decorations.

Mr. Josiah Crosby. Has been Consul General at Batavia since 1921 and has served in Siam and Indo-China.

Mr. Josiah Crosby. Has been Consul at Hankow since 1920. Became student interpreter in China in 1890 and has served in Chemulpo (Korea), Chengtu, Wuhu, Nan-king, Yunnan and Tientsin.

Mr. William Peel. Chief Secretary to the F.M.S. Government since 1926. Has been in the Malaya Civil Service since 1897 and has served in Penang, Singapore, and Kedah.

## C. B. E.

Viscount Gort, V.C., who was Chief of Staff to General Sir John Duncan, Commander-in-Chief of the Shanghai Defence Force.

Colonel Howard Ensor, R.A.M.C. Entered the Army in 1899, served in South Africa, Egypt and the Great War, in which he was mentioned six times in despatches. Has been in charge of the medical unit of the Shanghai Force.

Mr. Charles Fortescue Garstin. Is in the British consular staff at Shanghai, with rank of Consul.

## O. B. E.

Lady Barton. Is the wife of the British Consul General at Shanghai. This honour is conferred for valuable services for the welfare of the Shanghai Defence Force.

Mr. James Lyon Brown. For valuable services in connexion with the Volunteer Corps at Hankow.

Mr. Norman Lush Sparke. In recognition of services in the Shanghai Defence Force.

Mrs. E. P. Manasseh and Mrs. A. Sproule. For charities in the Straits Settlements.

Mr. Stephen Silva Nanayakkara. Is a J.P. in Ceylon. The de-

## ROMAN RELIC FOUND AT COLCHESTER.

## EXQUISITE CARVING OF A CAVALRY OFFICER.

It was announced at a Colchester Town Council meeting recently that a carving of a Roman cavalry officer standing over 6ft. high is to be handed over to the town by the finder, Mr. W. Chambers.

It will therefore find a home in that wonderful storehouse of treasure, the Colchester museum.

The monument is a relic of the campaign which ended in the Romans taking the town in A.D. 43, and it was described to the Town Council as the most important Roman find for the last 60 years.

[Camulodunum, the British town, was captured in A.D. 43 by a Roman army commanded by the Emperor Claudius in person.]

The discovery was made while workmen employed by Mr. Chambers were excavating for a garage on the south side of the London road. They found a flat stone slab only a little over a foot below the surface.

The slab was broken into several pieces, and when turned over the workmen were amazed to find on the other side a beautiful carved horse and rider, trampling down a naked man, while above them was a Theban sphinx, with a lion with a snake on its tail at her side.

Below the horseman, in a slightly-sunk panel was a Latin inscription, of which the following is a translation:

"Longinus, son of Sdaezmaty-cus, Duplicarius of the First of the Sardia Cavalry from the district of Sardia forty years of age, served fifteen years. His heirs made (this monument) according to his will."

The Thracian cavalry were an auxiliary troop of the Roman army, recruited from Northern Greece. Longinus was a "duplicarius," or officer, of a "turma" or squadron. There would be about ten "turmae" in the "ala" or regiment.

## From Bulgaria.

Longinus was not a Roman citizen, but came from the province of Sardia, the modern Sofia, capital of Bulgaria. He has a Roman name probably because his real name was unpronounceable to many others found in Germany, and a few from the West and North of England. One from Cirencester is to the memory of a man named Rufus Sita, who was of the same nationality as Longinus.

This tombstone constitutes what is probably the most remarkable find in Britain for many years. The carving of the man and horse is exquisite, every detail of the clothing and harness being shown.

The dead body of a snake 11 feet long, and weighing nearly 1 cwt., was found in the Thames by a Bermondsey boatman off Cherry Garden Pier, Bermondsey.

oration is for public charitable services.

Major James Parry Swettenham, the commander of the Selangor Volunteer Corps.

## M. B. E.

Miss Marial Edith Miskin. Principal of the Deaf and Blind School at Mount Lavinia, near Colombo.—*Reuter.*

## INDIAN PRINCES GOING TO LONDON.

## OVER FIVE HUNDRED STATES TO BE REPRESENTED.

Over 500 Indian States will be represented on a deputation which is due to arrive in England in the next week or so.

Nearly all the native ruling princes will be among the members, including:

Sir Hari Singh, Maharajah of Kashmir.

The Maharajah of Nawanagar ("Ranjit").

The Maharajah of Bikanir, and The Nawab of Bhopal.

Many of them are multi-millionaires. The deputation is entirely unofficial, and its object is to raise the question of the status of native States with the Imperial Government.

The princes will probably seek an interview with Lord Birkenhead, the Secretary for India, though as yet no arrangements have been made for this.

The status question is now being investigated by a committee appointed by the Government of India, with Sir Harcourt Butler as chairman, but the native rulers, it is gathered, wish to express their own views.

## MORE RAIN.

To-day's Observatory report states:—A belt of relatively high pressure extends from the lower Yangtze Valley to the Bohai Depressions are shown to the S.E. of Hokkaido and to the south of Pratas. The forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—N.E. winds, fresh; overcast; rain, inter.

The Lord Mayor's Fund for the relief of distress in the mining areas now amounts to £79,000.

## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the Daily Express.

Answers for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

- 1 What authority is represented by (a) the Governor-General, (b) the High Commissioner, of Canada?
- 2 Where is Grant Land? Why is this district of particular interest now?
- 3 Where has a new oil well just been completed, and how many gallons is it producing?
- 4 What art exhibition is to be held at the Royal Academy towards the end of this year? How long is it since a similar exhibition was held in England?
- 5 How many members constitute a quorum in the House of Commons?
- 6 Give the meaning of the letters A.U.C. In what connexion were they used?
- 7 Who was "the knight of the burning lamp"? Why was he so named?
- 8 Name the five mythological rivers of the lower world, and give the meaning assigned to them?
- 9 What is an itagliato?
- 10 On which side of the altar is the Gospel read, and why?
- 11 Give the line previous to "Then spare the rod and spoil the child." Where does it occur?
- 12 What is the difference between "plaid" and "tartan"?



"You're about my son's build. What size nightie do you wear?"

## M. POINCARÉ'S 200 MAJORITY.

## VICTORY FOR ORDER AND GOOD SENSE.

## BLOWS TO RADICALS.

Paris, April 30.

An overwhelming victory for order and good sense; a majority of 200 for M. Poincaré over all possible opponents; a strong swing towards Conservatism; a smashing blow to the hopes of a Radical and Socialist combination which should win back the position of 1924—these are the condensed results of yesterday's elections.

The returns published since 8 a.m. only serve to complete the picture drawn then. The true victory is for what may be called the eleventh-hour element in the French character.

The French may seem to be slipping nearer and nearer to the precipice. At the eleventh hour they suddenly pull up, and you find them entrenched in their native reason—"le gros bon sens," as they call it. So it was in 1914, when the Germans thought them rotten, so it was yesterday, when extremists counted on a triumph. The extremists of neither side have it.

The centre of gravity of the new Chamber (with 612 members as against 684 in the old) is in the Centre and the Moderate Right.

## Utopian Reforms.

This is the first lesson of yesterday's voting. Frenchmen have had enough of the tale of ruin and distrust "Utopian" reform. They are Utopian, indeed, but only up to the eleventh hour. Then "good sense" takes hold again. There are 307 new men in the Chamber—perhaps a good omen, too. Next, M. Poincaré has a following strong enough to banish care. Behind him are 153 Deputies of the Union Republicaine Democratique, the group following Louis Marin, who are now the strongest in the Chamber by 40 or so; 93 Left Republicans, 38 Conservatives, 61 Independent Radicals, in all 342 National Union deputies, or more than half the total number in the Chamber.

In 1924 the Cartel des Gauches, which beat the big drum hard as claiming to represent all France, had only 310 votes. Besides this M. Poincaré can reckon on support from some half of the Radical-Socialists, 117 in number, the Herriot and Daladier group on all the major questions of finance and foreign policy. On such the Prime Minister has a certain following of roundly about 400. Some even say as many as 420, for on the French group system, as distinct from our more democratic Party system, it is sometimes hard to tell how Deputies should be classed before the voting begins.

## Swing to the Right.

Even within the majority there is a marked tendency to Conservatism. The swing of the pendulum has been to the Right. The compact group of 18 extreme Conservatives will form a group besides in the Parliamentary sense and be able to have representatives of commissions of the house. This privilege has just now been lost by the Communists, who have kept 14 seats, while there are two Socialist-Communists whose precise position cannot be fixed until the Chamber meets.

Finally, the combination of Radicals and Socialists, which had also the support of the Communists in 1924, has completely broken down. All the seats lost have been lost by the Left. The Radical Socialists have lost 27; the Republican Socialists, who are further to the Left, eight; the Socialists, five or six, and the Communists, 13.

The Union Nationale, without relying on the perhaps dubious support of M. Herriot's Radicals, has gained roughly 60 seats. Leaving aside possible minor rectifications, it may be taken that the Left, composed of all Radicals who may possibly be in opposition, Socialists and Communists will command at most 208 votes, while the Right, going from Centre through Moderates to Extreme Conservatives, has 340, a figure, as already noted, to be swelled on normal occasions by 60 or so Radical Socialists, who will vote with M. Poincaré. By the loss of Leon Blum the Socialist Party in Parliament is decapitated. The victory, says a Conservative evening paper, marks the end of the naturalism.

A question that immediately arises, and will soon become acute, is what will be the composition of M. Poincaré's new Ministry on the basis of the new majority. In 1924, with a total strength of 310 in the Chamber, the Cartel claimed everything, ejected M. Millerand from the Presidency of the Republic and distributed all the loaves and fishes among their own followers.

The death is announced of Mr. Leopold Peregrine Edward Cust, third son of Sir Leopold Cust, second Baronet. Mr. Cust, who was 61 years old, was heir-presumptive of his brother, Sir Charles Cust, the present holder of the baronetcy.

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## BAN ON FRENCH NOVELS IN BRITAIN.

### PROTEST TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE.

M. de Fleurbaey, the French Ambassador in London, has registered a protest with the Foreign Office regarding the British censorship of French books.

The protest originated with a French syndicate of publishers which pointed out that the British censorship on books from abroad is exercised in a curiously irregular fashion.

For some unknown reason all the works of such an eminent novelist as Pierre Louys, for example, are banned from British territory.

Pierre Louys, whose biography occupies five columns in the French equivalent of the Encyclopaedia Britannica, is the famous author of "Aphrodite," "La Femme et le Pantin," and other romances. His works have been translated into nearly all European languages.

#### Confiscated Works.

The syndicate of publishers pointed out that the British authorities do not merely ban the books from Great Britain, but confiscate and retain copies which are forwarded to British addresses. It is held here that if these world famous works are objectionable to the authorities on the other side of the Channel they should not be confiscated but returned to the senders.

The syndicate protested to the Foreign Office here, and the protest has been forwarded via the French Ambassador in London to the British Foreign Office. The Press here is asking who it is who sits in judgment on masterpieces of French literature.

#### Frenchman's Criticism.

"Pierre Louys is a master of style, but his work repels me," M. Robert L. Cru, director the Maison de l'Institut de France a Londres, said to a representative.

M. Cru, who is himself an author, paid a tribute to the great learning and knowledge of his countryman.

"In a sense I am not surprised that Louys's work should be banned in England," M. Cru continued. "He belongs to the naturalist school."

"On the other hand, it seems rather absurd that one should be able to buy here the complete works of Rabelais and not be able to get the works of a man like Louys."

"He belongs to a distinguished family, and is a man whose work has been recognised in his own country."

"It should not be regarded as work on the same level as that of many writers whose books are not permitted in England."

## JUDGE ON LOVE AND ITS TRIUMPHS.

### WHEN ILLNESS IS A BAR TO MARRIAGE.

Simple words on the triumph of unselfish love were spoken to a King's Bench jury recently by Mr. Justice Acton.

He was summing up in the action brought by Miss M. Rosenberg for damages for breach of promise by Mr. H. James. Both live at Beckenham.

Mr. James admitted the promise, but pleaded that he was justified in breaking it because Miss Rosenberg contracted tuberculosis. Miss Rosenberg denied that she suffered from such a complaint, and alleged that Mr. James had become fond of another woman.

The judge told the jury that if a man refused to marry within a reasonable time after he promised the woman was entitled to damages.

#### Woman's Part.

But before she was entitled to those damages she had to show that she was ready, willing and fit to carry out that promise.

"There is no reason," said Mr. Justice Acton, "why a man should not be bound to marry a deaf mute, an incurable cripple, or a confirmed invalid, if he knew it at the time he gave her the promise to marry."

"Some of the most unselfish agreements to marry are made under such conditions, where the love one human being has for another is such as to induce him to enter into such a contract in spite of the physical infirmities or disabilities of the other."

It would be different if the woman were suffering from some mental or physical deformity not known to the man at the time the promise was given, which would prevent the woman being physically or mentally in a condition to fulfil her promise within a reasonable period.

The jury awarded Miss Rosenberg £35.

## DERBY BETTING.

### FAIRWAY STILL A STRONG FAVOURITE.

London, June 2. Of the Derby probabilities, E. Gardner will ride Yeomanstown for Mr. H. R. Armitage, in place of Marshall. — *Reuter.*

#### The Calcutta Sweep.

Calcutta, June 2. The Calcutta Sweep closed at a total of \$330,000. The winner will receive about a quarter of a million sterling and starters and non-starters \$1,500 apiece. — *Reuter.*

#### The Favourite Drawn.

Calcutta, June 2. In the Calcutta Sweep, Fairway, the favourite, has been drawn by a client of Lloyd's Bank, and Flamingo by a Calcutta syndicate. — *Reuter.*

#### THE DAVIS CUP.

Chicago, June 2. In the final of the American zone of the Davis Cup, America eliminated Japan by winning the first three matches played. — *Reuter's American Service.*

## NOVEL BETS TAX CASE.

### BOOKMAKER'S CLAIM FOR DUTY ON UNPAID LOSSES.

A novel case affecting the responsibility for the payment of betting tax was heard by Judge Sir Alfred Tobin at Westminster County Court recently.

Messrs. Ladbroke and Company, Limited, turf commission agents, of Old Burlington-street, W. 1, sued Mr. John Ingram, described as a soft goods merchant, of Friday-street, E.C., for £20 15s. 6d. betting tax, paid in June, 1927, for and on his behalf, and alternatively they claimed the same sum as being due under an agreement or by way of damages for breach of contract. Mr. Ingram pleaded the Gaming Acts.

Mr. Roland Oliver, K.C. (for Ladbroke and Company) said Mr. Ingram ended his betting transactions by owing Messrs. Ladbroke £800, not a penny of which he had paid. Of course, Messrs. Ladbroke could not sue for that money, but they sued to recover the actual tax on his unpaid debts.

Mr. Derrick Cramp, a director of Ladbroke and Company, said they paid the tax on all stakes, but deducted 2½ per cent. from backers' winnings.

Mr. Thomas Dawson (defendant) said that before a backer became liable there must be shown a very clear promise or agreement by the backer that he would either pay or share the tax.

Giving judgment Judge Tobin said that he declined to draw an inference that there was an implied agreement by the backer to recoup the bookmaker for the duties he had paid. He thought the book maker paid the tax in respect of the bets, and that he could not recover it.

He gave judgment for Mr. Ingram, with costs, and granted a stay of execution for fourteen days in view of an appeal.

## FLYING SCOTSMAN'S FEAT.

The answer to the old conundrum, "What goes from London to Edinburgh without stopping?" can now be amended in the light of what happened recently.

For, did not the Flying Scotsman, in all the glory of inaugurating what is to be a daily run, speed her way from King's Cross to the Waverley Station here, with a 500-ton load, without so much as a pause?

In vain for inquirers at Grant-ham, York, Newcastle, or Berwick to ask: "Doesn't the train stop here?"

The thousand of spectators who saw the train leave London included, as was fitting on so historic an occasion, Sir Charles Batho, the Lord Mayor. The thousands who lined the station platforms enroute, and the still greater numbers who waited at Edinburgh, all gained a marvellous momentary thrill. But it was left to the Flying Scotsman's 204 passengers to plumb the deepest moments of the occasion.

The eight and a quarter hours journey, strangely enough, left no room for boredom.

There were a number of boys on the train returning to schools in Scotland, but we were all as school-boys, excited by the fact that we were starting the world's longest non-stop scheduled train journey. Hour after hour of the 32½ miles there sounded the dreadful iteration of the train's measured song.

We wandered along to the compartment set aside for the spare engine driver, who was enjoying the strange position for him of travelling half the journey as a passenger, and learnt such details as that the engine was doing the run on five and a half tons of coal and some 30,000 gallons of water.

We watched with interest the two engine drivers change posts while the train was passing through Tollerston, the half-way station, about the same time as the up-express from Edinburgh, similarly timed and non-stopping, dashed by with scarcely time for a wave.

In order to get to the engine Drivers Blades and Pibworth had to creep through a tunnel framed in the tender. "But, it's a relief to get out there," Driver Blades, who has driven express trains for nearly 30 years, told me. Driver Pibworth, however, lounging back on his carriage seat, expressed the opinion that travelling in this way had its good points.

Finally, there was always the relaxation of visiting the hairdresser. Many of us indulged in shaves or hair cuts.

A large crowd, undemonstrative, however, as is the Scotsman's way, awaited the arrival of the train, which entered Waverley Station 13 minutes ahead of time. Here commemorative notebooks, together with a gift of £10 from the passengers, were presented to the drivers and firemen by Mr. James Calder, the General Manager of the London and North-Eastern Railway in Scotland, after which the engine was uncoupled and another put on, and the train proceeded on its way to Aberdeen oblivious of the entry that had been made in railway history.

## THE LIVER CURE.

### TREATMENT OF PERNICIOUS ANAEMIA.

Two years ago pernicious anaemia was an incurable disease, and medical students were warned not to use its name before their patients, since it would leave them without hope. To-day the situation is entirely changed, for an effective remedy has been discovered.

The facts are made plain by a report on 184 cases published by representative physicians in the current issue of the "Lancet." This forms by far the largest group of cases described in this country, and it fully justifies the claims of Minot and Murphy, the Americans who introduced the treatment.

The new remedy could hardly be simpler, and the medical profession is left wondering why no one ever found out before that pernicious anaemia could be cured—temporarily at any rate—by feeding the sufferers on a diet rich in animal liver. Yet, even now, it seems doubtful whether the discovery was an accident, or was really based on sound experimental evidence.

Be this as it may, it is beyond doubt that almost everyone who develops this disease will lose his symptoms and regain something approaching his normal equipment of blood if he can be induced to take enough liver in one form or another.

The attempt to overcome a natural repugnance for large quantities of this food has had its amusing side, and all sorts of culinary devices have been employed. A popular form in which it appears is a "cocktail," in which raw minced liver is disguised with lemon juice and flavours. Now, however, the difficulty of appetite has largely been overcome by the preparation of certain liver extracts which contain the virtues of the remedy in small bulk, so that treatment becomes less repulsive, though more expensive.

The mechanism of the cure is unknown. Presumably liver and other forms of meat are not essential to everyone's health, or pernicious anaemia would be the inevitable fate of vegetarians. It seems probable that this organ normally stores a large supply of some substance which most people can obtain in sufficient quantity from other foodstuffs, and conceivably this substance is one of the so-called "accessory food factors" or vitamins. So much, however, is surmise, and the treatment remains empirical rather than rational.

Whether it is altogether original is also in doubt. That the Western enterprise of Minot and Murphy was forestalled in the East is suggested by the story told of a Chinese herbalist who restored his patient to health by prescribing the liver of a carnivorous crow. The long-standing reputation of black-pudding in the treatment of anaemia may also be traceable to the liver it contains.

In conclusion may be quoted the opinion of two workers at the London Hospital, who have been able to check their results by comparison with a series of 114 consecutive cases of pernicious anaemia treated at the hospital between 1909 and 1919. Of the patients in this series only one is alive to-day and over 52 per cent. died within nine months of admission.

"We do not yet know," they write, "if patients with pernicious anaemia will respond indefinitely to liver taken by the mouth, or if they will ever be able to leave off the treatment, but the remarkable experience in following up the first series of cases of interviewing a succession of sick persons or sad relatives, and in the second series of seeing nothing but hopeful patients, convinces us that the Minot-Murphy discovery ranks as a therapeutic advance of the first importance."



A home may not be complete without a man, but a kitchen is!

## SHARE PRICES.

### TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

#### Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$327 n.  
Chartered Bank, \$211 b.  
Mercantile A. & B., \$331 n.  
P. and O., \$291 n.  
East Asia, \$75 n.

#### Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$620 a.  
Union Ins., \$3361 b.  
North China, Ins., Tls. 140 b.  
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.  
China Underwriters, \$21 n.  
China Firms, \$230 b.  
H. K. Fire Ins., \$740 a.

#### Shipping.

Douglases, \$361 b.  
H. K. Steamboats, \$281 n.  
H. K. Tugs, \$21 n.  
Indo-China, (Def.) \$65 n.  
Shell Trans., \$4/- n.  
Union Waterboats, \$201 a.

#### Mining.

Bonguets, \$11 n.  
Kailans, \$8/- n.  
Langkats, Tls. \$12.20 s.  
Shai Exploration, Tls. 2.80 s.  
Rauha, \$4 n.  
Tronohs, 17/6 n.

#### Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$1301 n.  
Whampoa Docks, \$401 n.  
China Providents, \$5.10 b.  
Hongkows, Tls. 160 b.  
New Engineering, Tls. 5 n.  
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 108 n.

#### Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 81 n.  
Orientals, Tls. 2.20 n.  
Shai Cottons, Tls. 271 (old) n.

#### Land, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$9.25 s.  
H. K. Lands, \$641 n.  
Shai Lands Tls. 144 b.  
Humphreys, \$141 n.  
Realities, \$8.50 s.

#### Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$241 b.  
Peak Trams, (old) \$132 b.  
Star Ferries, \$641 n.  
China Lights, (Old) \$111 b.  
H'kong Electric, \$71 s.  
Macao Electric, \$261 b.  
Telephones, \$6.10 b.  
China Buses, Tls. 9 b.  
Singapore Traction, 9 9 b.

#### Industrials.

China Sugars, \$31 s.  
Malabons, \$241 n.  
Canton Ices, \$4 n.  
Cements (Comb) \$9.20 b.  
Ropes (Old) \$7 s.  
United Asbestos \$10 n.

#### Stores &c.

Dairy Farms, \$11 s.  
Watsons, \$14.25 b.  
Der A. Wing, \$50 n.  
Lane Crawfords, \$3.75 n.  
Macintosh, \$20 n.  
Sinceres, \$91 n.  
Wm. Powells, \$3 n.

#### Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$29 s.  
Constructions, \$11 s.  
Bique Ind. G. Bonds, 63 s.  
H. K. G. Loan, 5%

## TEACHER'S BOGUS DEGREE FRAUD.

### TRICKS GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOR 6 YEARS.

A schoolmaster who obtained money by falsely describing himself as a bachelor of science of London University appeared at Wem, Shropshire, police-court recently.

Alvernion Challenger, of Bourne-mouth, was charged on one count, that of obtaining £38 19s. 9d., but during his six years as assistant master at Wem Grammar School he had, said Mr. F. S. Butler, prosecuting, received £763 in excess by virtue of his claim to the degree.

Mr. G. L. Bretherton, the headmaster, said he appointed Challenger in 1921. He had described himself as a bachelor of science and he had not questioned it. Challenger gave highly satisfactory service as a teacher of mathematics.

No question as to the degree was raised until October last year, when Mr. Bretherton had to fill in papers for the Board of Education in respect of the pensions scheme. Challenger said he had £100 due to him as repayment of his pension contributions, but he had signed it over to the governors as repayment.

He was bound over in £100 for 12 months, and was to pay £25 in compensation and £30 costs. The magistrate said greater care should have been taken over the appointment.

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## THE MACAO RACES.

## EXTRA RACE MEETING A SUCCESS.

The proverbial weather luck of the Macao Race Club did not desert it on the occasion of the Ninth Extra Race Meeting held yesterday at Macao. It was incidentally the closing meeting of the half year before the summer holiday. After the preceding days of incessant rain there were many who predicted the necessity of a postponement, but the Club's luck held good and the meeting was a success in every way. The morning broke clear, with the sun peering through banks of cloud. Before nine in the morning King Sol had done his work and there was hardly a cloud in the sky.

The racing, as usual, was efficiently conducted and the races were run off very smoothly. There was a protest in the fourth race, but the stewards decided that it be disallowed. The success of the meeting was due in no small part to the excellent services rendered by the stewards. They were—Mr. F. Sutton, Judge, and Mr. W. G. Pirie, officiating for Mr. Ho Kom Tong as Assistant Judge, Mr. C. M. Alves, Clerk of the Scales, Mr. W. D. Fiddes, Wilson, Starter, Mr. Harold Schell, officiating for Mr. H. Bickell, in charge of the Paddock, Mr. R. E. Ost, Time Keeper, Mr. J. M. Braga, in charge of the Telegraph, and Dr. Pierce Grove and Mr. D. P. J. Lopes in charge of the Pari Mutuel and Cash Sweeps.

1.—The June Novices Race: One Mile.—Winner \$200. 2nd \$100. 3rd \$50.

Mr. H. T. C. Caesar (Mr. Blackhouse) 1

Dr. S. To Wong's Fair Eyes. (Dr. T. Wong) 2

Mr. Tang's Sutherland. (Mr. Miller) 3

Also ran: Fir Dee (Mr. Fontes); Six Hundred (Mr. Lee).

Time: 2:10 2/5 min. 6 lengths. 3/4 length.

Pari Mutuel: Winner \$57.70; Places, \$5.10, \$5.10. Totalizator 1st Winner \$1.90.

Cash Sweeps: 1st—Ticket No. 8—\$134.40; 2nd—Ticket No. 21—\$38.40; 3rd—Ticket No. 52—\$19.20.

2.—The Trial Handicap: "C" Class: Six Furlongs.—Winner \$300. 2nd \$150. 3rd \$100.

Mr. Luen Yick's Fifty-Fifty (Mr. Chun) 1

Mr. Luen Yick's Ma Kau Sinc (Mr. Roza) 2

Messrs. Cheng and Ng's Glory (Mr. Clark) 3

Also ran: Brance (Mr. T. L. Wong); Chow Tze Jan (Mr. J. M. Lee).

Time: 1:35 min. 3 lengths, 3/4 length.

Pari Mutuel: Winner \$140.00; Places, \$5.10, \$5.10. Totalizator 1st Winner \$2.30.

Cash Sweeps: 1st—Ticket No. 12—\$142.80; 2nd—Ticket No. 7—\$40.80; 3rd—Ticket No. 43—\$20.40.

3.—The Trial Handicap: "B" Class: Six Furlongs.—Winner \$300. 2nd \$150. 3rd \$100.

Messrs. Dunbar and Reid's Tar-macadam (Mr. Chun) 1

Mr. N. Hashim's Sunning (Mr. Charles) 2

Mr. Seth's Eastwhite (Mr. U. Roza) 3

Also ran: As You Like It (Mr. Harrison); All Moon (Mr. T. L. Wong); Man-of-War (Mr. Clark); Tarzan (Mr. Y. M. Lee).

Time: 1:33 3/5 min. Many lengths, 3 lengths.

Pari Mutuel: Winner \$97.70; Places, \$31.40, \$8.80, \$4.50.

Cash Sweeps: 1st—Ticket No. 38—\$220.80; 2nd—Ticket No. 53—\$64.80; 3rd—Ticket No. 5—\$32.40.

4.—The Whitman Plate: Five Furlongs.—Winner \$200. 2nd \$100. 3rd \$50.

Dr. S. To Wong's Ullwater (Mr. Harrison) 1

Mr. Hop Kee's Zircon II (Mr. U. Roza) 2

Messrs. H. C. Lau and H. C. Lau's Duke of Ningling (Mr. T. L. Wong) 3

Also ran: Diana (Mr. Fontes); Jialo (Mr. Charles); Isotacy (Mr. Morgan); May (Mr. G. U. Roza); My Toy (Mr. Proulx); Spring Day (Mr. Chun); Valour (Mr. Botell).

Time: 1:20 4/5 min. A head, 1 1/4 lengths.

Pari Mutuel: Winner \$37.70; Places, \$8.80, \$6.70, \$3.70.

Cash Sweeps: 1st—Ticket No. 50—\$290.80; 2nd—Ticket No. 138—\$85.80; 3rd—Ticket No. 20—\$42.80.

5.—The Hongkong Plate: One Mile.—Winner \$300. 2nd \$150. 3rd \$100.

Mr. Three's One (Mr. Y. M. Lee) 1

Mr. Luen Yick's Ma Kau Sinc (Mr. Roza) 2

Mr. K. H. Chenal (Mr. Chun) 3

Time: 2:00 3/5 min. Many lengths, Many lengths.

Pari Mutuel: Winner \$6.50; Places, \$6.80.

Cash Sweeps: 1st—Ticket No. 20—\$44.40; 2nd—Ticket No. 3—\$98.40; 3rd—Ticket No. 31—\$49.20.

6.—The Trial Handicap: "D" Class: Six Furlongs.—Winner \$300. 2nd \$150. 3rd \$100.

Mr. F. Pierce Grove's Slang River (Mr. Erskine) 1

Mr. S. W. Cheng's Westlake (Mr. Chun) 2

Mr. S. Y. Liang's Six Hundred (Mr. Charles) 3

Also ran: Pokin (Mr. Usher); Valoz (Dr. T. Wong).

Time: 1:35 4/5 min. Many lengths, 4 lengths.

Pari Mutuel: Winner \$7.40; Places, \$5.60, \$7.10.

Cash Sweeps: 1st—Ticket No. 62—\$319.20; 2nd—Ticket No. 53—\$91.20; 3rd—Ticket No. 31—\$45.60.

7.—The Trial Handicap: "D" Class: Six Furlongs.—Winner \$300. 2nd \$150. 3rd \$100.

Mr. F. Pierce Grove's Slang River (Mr. Erskine) 1

Mr. S. W. Cheng's Westlake (Mr. Chun) 2

Mr. S. Y. Liang's Six Hundred (Mr. Charles) 3

Also ran: King Constantine (Mr. Clark); Little River (Mr. Morgan); Moyanagher (Mr. Richardson); Sco-

## INTERPORT SHOOT.

## SINGAPORE MAKE POOR SCORE.

The Singapore Interport team fired last week at Bukit Timah Range and were again unlucky in having a bad shooting light, the threatening storm making the light constantly change.

The final score of 886 gives an average of 88.6 per man, the team falling this year at the 600 yards range, as against poor shooting at the 200 yards range in previous years.

The following were scores:

Sgt. E. Galligan	31	22	54
Capt. D. H. Biers	26	31	57
C. S. M. Chang Keng Nee	28	22	50
Capt. J. V. Gibson	31	22	53
Sgt. V. Jacob	30	23	53
Sgt. J. S. Kiewan	31	22	53
Cpl. J. W. Jones	29	22	51
Sgt. Abdul Kadir	29	22	51
L/Cpl. E. F. de Silva	29	22	51
Total	255	200	455

Counted out: Lieut. E. H. McCall 24 31 55 54

Sent. C. A. de Souza 25 22 47

Analysis of Shots: Bulls-eyes—58; Inners—120; Magpies—3; Outers—3.

Shanghai scored 924. Hongkong, holders of the Shield, have still to shoot.

## HOME CRICKET.

## WEST INDIES DRAW WITH DURHAM.

Starting on Friday the visiting West Indies team played Durham at Sunderland in a two days' match which ended in a draw. The scores were:

Durham: 237 and 132 (for 9 wks. dec.)

West Indies: 225 and 61 (for 3 wks.)

For the English team Dobson scored 105 before losing his wicket.

ter (Mr. Usher); Silver Mine (Mr. Harrison); Simon Legree (Mr. Botolph); Tarzan (Mr. Miller); Wing Sin (Mr. Y. M. Lee).

Time: 1:39 2/5 min. A length, 4 lengths.

Pari Mutuel: Winner \$35.00; Places \$12.50, \$11.80, \$18.20.

Cash Sweeps: 1st—Ticket No. 1—\$305.20; 2nd—Ticket No. 43—\$87.20; 3rd—Ticket No. 90—\$43.60.

8.—The June Selling Race: One Mile.—Winner \$150. 2nd \$75. 3rd \$75.

Messrs. Cheng and Ng's Glory (Mr. Clark) 1

Mr. S. W. Hee's Chin Hoi (Mr. Usher) 2

Mr. Recreation's Wild Fellow (Mr. T. L. Wong) 3

Also ran: Copper Mine (Mr. Charles); Zircon II (Mr. Chun).

Time: 2:16 3/5 min. 1/2 length, 2 lengths.

Pari Mutuel: Winner \$13.30; Places, \$7.20, \$12.60.

Cash Sweeps: 1st—Ticket No. 35—\$254.80; 2nd—Ticket No. 16—\$72.80; 3rd—Ticket No. 2—\$36.40.

9.—The June Consolation Plate: Half a Mile.—Winner \$200. 2nd \$100. 3rd \$50.

Dr. L. Reid's Tarzan (Mr. Harrison) 1

Mr. Hee Cheong's Man-of-war (Mr. Charles) 2

Mr. Moon's Full Moon (Mr. T. Wong) 3

Also ran: Brance (Mr. Clark); Spring Day (Mr. G. Roza).

Time: 1:02 min. 1 1/2 lengths, 1/2 length.

Pari Mutuel: Winner \$40.30; Places \$21.20, \$7.

Cash Sweeps: 1st—Ticket No. 9—\$221.20; 2nd—Ticket No. 28—\$63.20; 3rd—Ticket No. 53—\$31.60.

10.—The June Consolation Plate: Half a Mile.—Winner \$200. 2nd \$100. 3rd \$50.

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## HUGE LOSS.

## HONGKONG BANK VICTIMISED.

A sensational theft perpetrated on the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on January 31, 1924, is recalled by the arrest in Canton and the detention by the local Police of a former employee of the Bank, who is held on charges arising out of the loss. The sum involved was \$40,000, which it was thought had been obtained by the thief on a forged cheque.

The incident which has been a mystery to the Criminal Intelligence Department was reported on February 9, 1924 as follows:

As the result of a report made by the Comptroller Department of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, the police are endeavouring to clear up a mystery concerning the disappearance of a cheque for \$40,000 and the possibility that the monies paid out by the Bank on it were obtained by forgery or embezzlement.

So far as can be ascertained, a sum of \$40,000 was paid out by the Chinese cashier on a cheque for this amount just before the Chinese New Year, and the cheque was laid away in a drawer with others for the purpose of its being entered up at a more convenient moment. When the cashier came to look for it, however, it had disappeared. The matter was laid before the Police, and one of the sheriffs in the Bank was requested to attend at the Central Police Station after the Chinese New Year. He did not do so, and, on going to his residence, the discovery was made that he had left with his family.

It was stated that the missing man occupied a responsible position at the Bank, inasmuch as it was his duty to act as the carrier of monies between the cashier and the paying-out shroff at the counter. It appears that, with the disappearance of the cheque the department is at a loss to know the firm against whose account this large sum was paid out.

Only meagre details were available last night of the arrest which had been effected in Canton. It was ascertained, however, that the man now in custody and who will appear before the Magistrate this morning, is Fung Chung-lim, alias Fung Fung-sau (35), described as a chequer messenger.

The charges against the man will be for obtaining the \$40,000 on a forged cheque and alternatively with larceny of the said money.

## "GIANT OCTOPUS."

## WIRELESS, CABLE AND TELEPHONE MERGER.

New York, June 2.

A gigantic wireless, cable and telephone octopus, covering the western hemisphere, is the forecast of the newspapers, which state that the International Telephone and Telegraph Company, which is involved in the merger reported recently, is negotiating to acquire the Radio Corporation.

The latter's shares yesterday reached the record of 223 compared with the year's lowest figure of \$5.—Reuter's American Service.

## THE CANTON YAMENS.

## RETROCESSION OF THE FORMER FRENCH CONSULATE.

The French Government has agreed to hand over the former French Consulate in Wai Oi Street to the Chinese authorities, and Mr. Chu Chao-hsin is in receipt of notification from the French Consul to this effect, says the Canton Gazette.

However, the retrocession will be carried out in three months because after the French Consulate was removed to Shamen the old premises were occupied by the Board of Education for Fine Arts which is a French concern. It would take some time for the Board to move to some other place before the ex-Consulate can be formally turned over to the Kwangtung Provincial Government.

The old French Yamen is situated on Wai Oi Maloo. It is somewhat similar in layout to the old British Yamen, now returned to Kwangtung, and consists of two foreign style buildings and extensive grounds, with many fine trees and shrubs.

## LEAGUE COUNCIL.

## SESSION OPENS AT GENEVA TO-DAY.

London, June 2.

The summer session of the League of Nations Council opens on Monday at Geneva, whither Sir Austen Chamberlain departed to-day.

The Council will again be faced with the perennial dispute between Rumania and Hungary concerning the Rumanian administration of territories acquired from Hungary after the war. It had been hoped that the matter would be settled, but the Rumanian Government, in a communication to the League Secretariat to-day, states that attempts to reach agreement with Hungary on the subject of the Transylvanian optants have failed.

Owing to illness, neither M. Briand (France) nor Dr. Stresemann (Germany) will attend the Council.—Reuter.

## MARINE COURT.

## JUNK MASTER'S LACK OF KNOWLEDGE.

At the Marine Court on Saturday, before Commr. J. B. Newell, D.S.O., R.N., Wong Yee-lai, master of a trading junk, was charged with navigating the waters of the Colony without showing the regulation lights for a vessel under way.

Pleading guilty, the accused stated that he was not conversant with the regulations and had always considered one light to be sufficient when under way.

Consulting the accused's licence book, His Worship ascertained that he had been more than 10 years in the Colony and in charge of a junk. Remarking that it had taken him a long time to learn the regulations, the Marine Magistrate inflicted a fine of \$15 with the usual alternative.

## BANKS.

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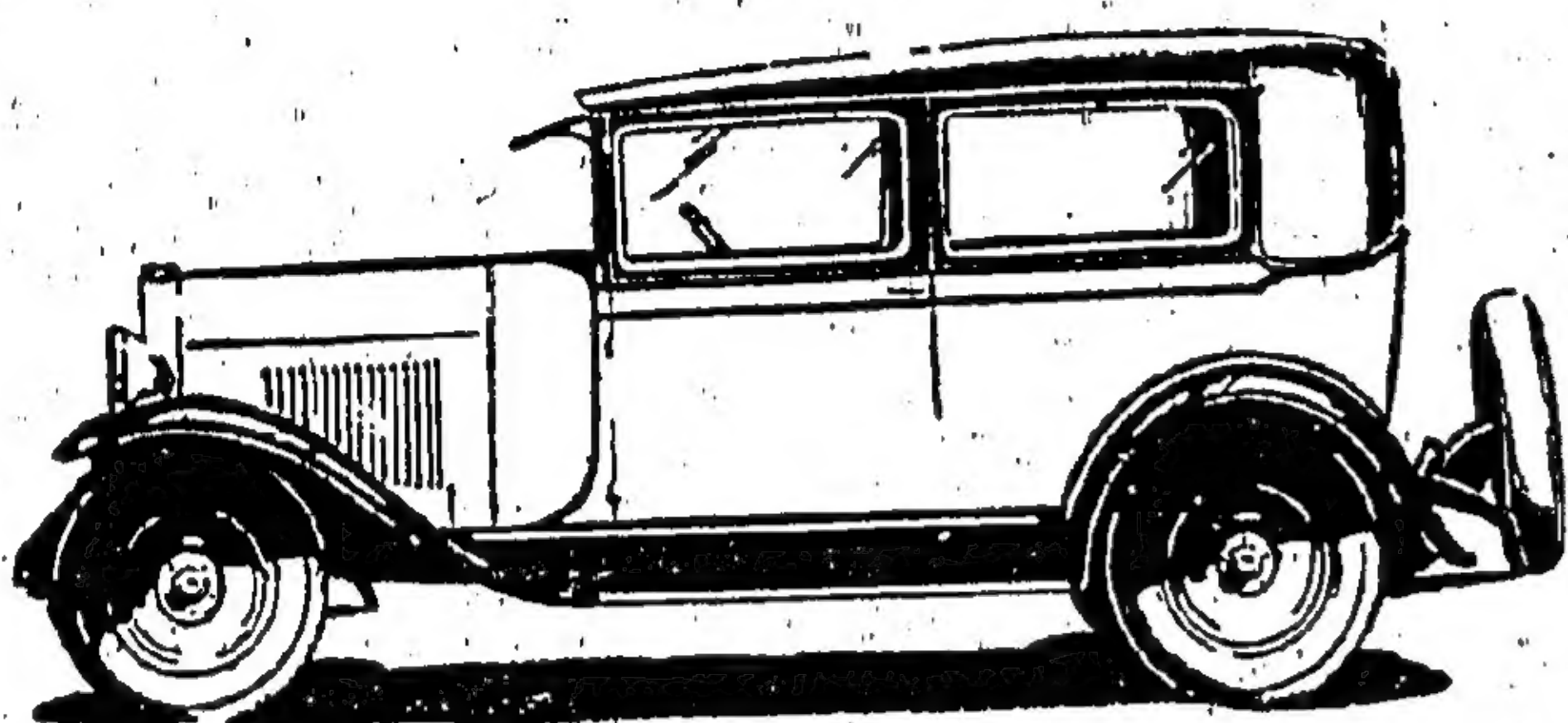
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### SHANGHAI RAIDS.

#### POLICE ARREST TWENTY-NINE KIDNAPPERS.

In a series of raids on kidnappers' dens on Friday, May 25, says the *China Press*, full of dramatic incidents and featured by heavy firing between Police and armed bandits, Detective-Sergeant Gash was slightly wounded, one Chinese criminal killed and several wounded, 29 malefactors were rounded up and a victim of one of the kidnapping gangs rescued after he had leaped from a ten-foot balcony and collapsed in the arms of the Police.

The Police ran into a network of kidnapping gangs operating in the Settlement, with the arrest on Thursday night of an actor and a Chinese woman about 11 o'clock in the evening at 27 Vangtong Road. Under the direction of Detective Sub-Inspector Henry, Detective-Sergeant Gash, P. C. S. Davies and a number of Chinese detectives and constables carried out the raid, arresting the pair on a charge of being concerned in the abduction of Mr. K. L. Sung, who was kidnapped in his own automobile a few days ago in the Settlement.

Acting upon information received, the same party of the Police raided 812 Medhurst Road some hours later and there arrested five men and three women, all from Shaoshing. Four men and two women were taken into custody as the result of another lightning raid soon afterwards at 295 Rue du Marche, and three men and one woman at 31 Yaihai Road.

Between 4 and 5 o'clock yesterday morning, as a result of information gleaned from all the suspects then in custody, the Police finally ran across the trail of Sung and investigated a house at the corner of Ningkuo and Pingliang Roads outside the Settlement. They found here only a peaceful carpenter's shop, but thanks to a guide, penetrated the mask thrown up by this gang of expert crooks, and arrested two men and two women found on the ground floor.

It was as they were ascending the stairway that a man suddenly appeared at the first floor landing and without warning opened fire. The Chinese informer was wounded in the ankle and another bullet struck him in the chest, but did no damage due to his steel vest. Detective-Sergeant Gash received a light flesh wound in the thigh, and another bullet went through his coat-sleeve. Another man then made his appearance on the balcony, fired, and the Police fire, in reply, caused him to stagger back into a room, where he was later found dead.

As the Police entered the courtyard and found there the victim of the kidnappers, a third desperado came out on the balcony. Inspector Henry fired and the man fell wounded. Sung then jumped from the balcony and was carried away in a state of collapse.

Two of the gang then started to escape in an alleyway in the rear of the premises, where Inspector Henry had stationed himself behind an electric standard. The Inspector fired and wounded one, who is now in Police Hospital. After this episode, the Police surrounded the entire block and made a systematic search, collaring the rest of the gang.

#### Another Fracas.

Another round-up of kidnapping suspects occurred yesterday morning about the same time, when a squadron of Police under the command of Detective-Sergeant Talbrun, P.C.S. Henton, and C.D.I. Loh Li-kwe raided a den off Avenue Haig near Zicawei and arrested eleven men, released a Chinese captive and seized three pistols and seventeen rounds of ammunition.

As they approached the entrance, one of the men on guard fired, the detectives returning the fire and shooting the man in the ankle.

#### Detective Scatters Gunmen.

An attempt by six armed Chinese gunmen to murder a Chinese detective on Friday, says the *Shanghai Times*, at the home of the latter failed when the detective drew his pistol and opened fire on the gunmen. The six men appeared at the detective's home 174 Myburg Road at noon yesterday.

The detective, noted the desperados, and quickly closed his door, firing three shots through it. The gunmen fled and the detective fired four more shots at the fleeing men through a window. No arrests were made.

#### FOE TO THE PRESS.

MUSSOLINI NOT POPULAR IN AMERICA.

Washington, June 2. The Board of Governors of the National Press Club have withdrawn the nomination of Signor Mussolini, the Italian Dictator, as a non-resident member of the Club.

### JAPAN'S MEASURES.

#### NATIONALISTS MAY NOT MANCHURIA.

Tokyo, June 2. Opinions here differ as to the probable effects of Marshal Chang Tso-lin's contemplated withdrawal from Peking.

Some of the newspapers believe that the three Southern leaders, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, General Feng Yu-shan, General Yen Hui-shan will co-operate successfully for the restoration of peace in North China and that they will not attempt to pursue the retreating Northern armies into Manchuria.

Others papers are frankly pessimistic about probable developments.

Military circles, although anxious to appear to share the view that undue pessimism is uncalled for. They are hopeful that further military action on the part of Japan will not be necessary. — Reuter.

#### Japan's Reply to Waichiaoou.

Peking, June 2. The Japanese Legation has issued the text of a note to the Waichiaoou replying to the various notes from the Waichiaoou, relative to the despatch of Japanese troops to Chinese territory.

The Note says it is obvious that the Chinese Government should assume responsibility for protecting foreign property and lives and the Japanese Legation wishes to express its sincere appreciation for the recent declarations by the Chinese Government regarding the protection of foreigners.

The Japanese Government is gladly relying upon the Chinese Government's protection, but in the light of recent events, especially the deplorable incident at Tsinan, it is felt it was necessary to take its own measures for the protection of its nationals.

The Note goes on to draw attention to the fact that the Chinese Delegation at the Washington Conference agreed to a resolution that it was justifiable and in accordance with the accepted principles of international law for a nation or nations to send or station armed forces in other states as a temporary measure in order to meet emergencies which threatened to endanger the lives and property of nationals of such nation taking such action. It was in the spirit of that declaration that Japanese troops were sent to Shantung. — Reuter.

#### Tsingtao Situation.

Tsingtao, June 3. The Chinese commanders replied to General Yasumitsu agreeing to evacuate the Tsingtao railway zone by Wednesday.

It is reported that a further delay of five days was then requested owing to financial collections.

The rage meeting passed off today. The situation is satisfactory. — Reuter.

#### The Yalu Bandits.

Tokyo, June 2. According to local Press reports, Japanese police of Korea who were pursuing Chinese bandits at the Yalu frontier discovered the badly mutilated body of Lt. Wakabayashi, who was kidnapped on May 28. — Reuter.

Japanese War Officer reports said that as the result of a Manchurian bandit raid across the Korean frontier in Yalu, involving the capture of a Japanese subaltern and several casualties among the Japanese Garrison headquarters at Ryuzan had despatched a battalion to the scene of the outrage as a precaution against further trouble. Japanese troops clashed with the bandits, the latter retreating, leaving five or six dead.

#### BULLION STOLEN.

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A few days ago a consignment of silver bullion valued at \$10,000 was entrusted to a Chinese seaman working on board in a Hongkong-Swallow steamer by a Chinese native bank in Swatow to be delivered to a native bank in Hongkong. For some reason, not yet explained the telegram which the bank in Swatow despatched to the local bank, was delayed and on Saturday morning, when the steamer arrived in Hongkong the seaman landed with the bullion and disappeared.

It was not until the afternoon that the Hongkong native bank received the cable informing them of the theft of the bullion. Fokis were immediately sent abroad to take over the silver, but they were informed that the men in whose charge it was had already left with the money.

The bank reported the matter to the police, who are investigating the case.

Some of the members protested against the nomination on the ground of Mussolini's treatment of the Press in Italy. — Reuter's American Service.

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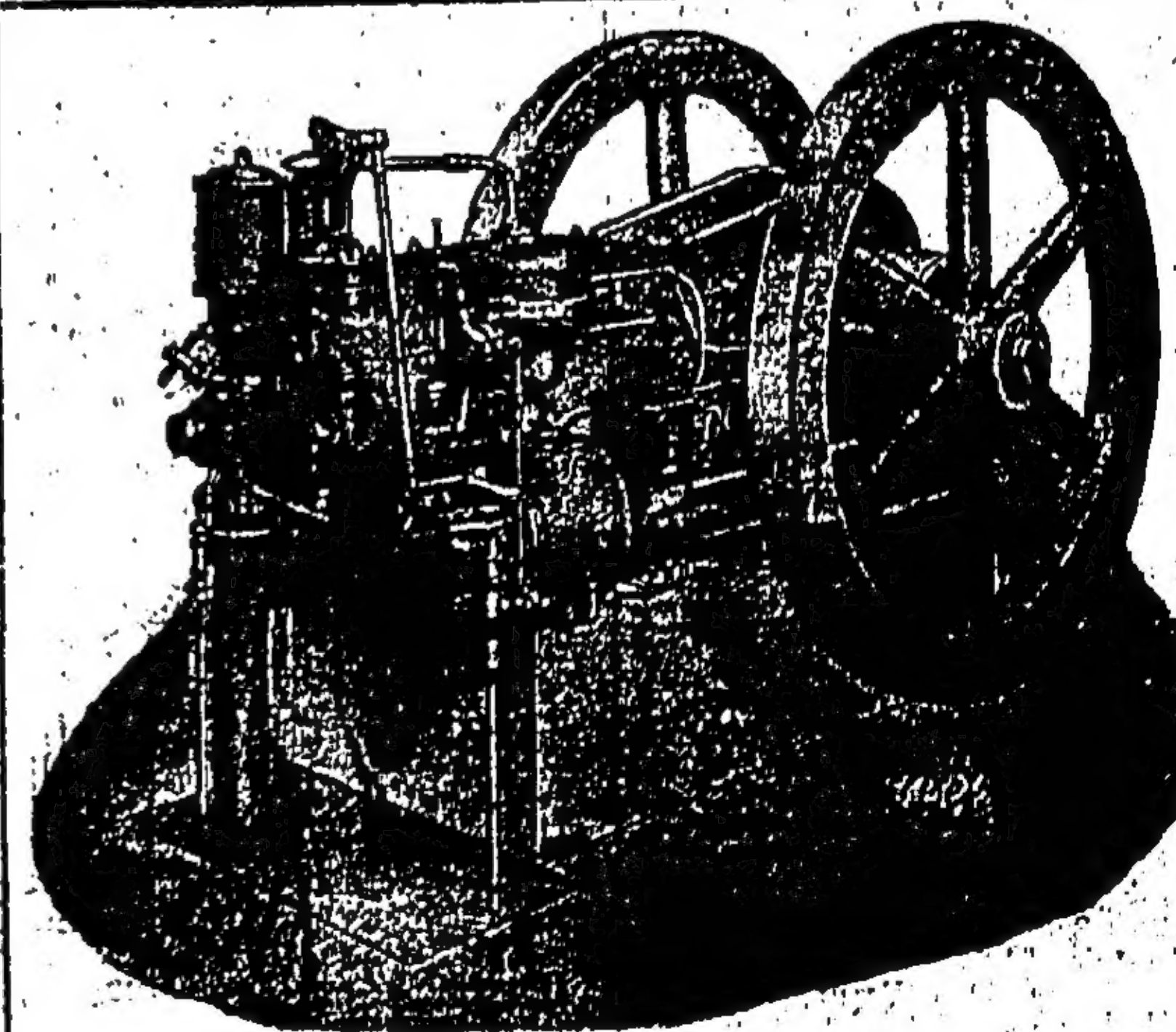
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## SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS CHAPTERS.

Montgomery Gaynor, a wealthy diamond merchant, is found dead in his office. Inspector Webster, noting that the body appears perfectly lifeless, telephones for Doctor Peter Blayne, a brilliant, young criminalologist and a medico, who has frequently assisted Scotland Yard in a specialised capacity. Blayne performs a blood test, and also finds a quantity of peculiarly congealed ash beneath the fire-grate together with a scrap of paper bearing the word "Zora."

The blood test does not give any of the recognised reactions and Blayne is puzzled over the analysis of the ash. He is convinced that Gaynor did not die a natural death. Blayne is secretly in love with Sonia Gaynor.

## CHAPTER VII (Cont.)

"I am afraid I am the bearer of news which will surprise you," the lawyer began, conventionally diplomatic. "I must say that we have made a thorough examination of Mr. Gaynor's affairs and we find that, though he bequeathed everything to you, Madam, under the terms of a will dated only so recently as March 14 of the present year, his estate amounts to little more than a modest two thousand pounds."

Mrs. Gaynor's face drained of colour and her eyes opened wider. Sonia experienced a quiver, not so much of disappointment as of amazement.

"But how can that be?" asked Mrs. Gaynor, with pathetic helplessness. "Monty never once mentioned anything to me about his being in financial difficulties! And we had no secrets from one another," she added with matronly pride.

"I appreciate your distress, Mrs. Gaynor," pursued the lawyer, "and I may add that the disclosure occasioned us considerable surprise also. We have acted for Mr. Gaynor now for close upon twelve years and as far as we were concerned there was nothing that would lead us to suppose he was not in a sound financial position."

"Does this mean, then, that my father had been losing money in business?" Sonia Gaynor's voice shook a little as she asked the question, but she felt that she must get a grip on this new and utterly unexpected situation.

Mr. Crowther Mitchell regarded the girl's white features across the table before he replied.

"That is a very difficult question for me to answer at the moment. You see all your late father's books are at present in the hands of Scotland Yard and, I may add, are hopeful that from them they may discover a clue to the mystery that surrounds Mr. Gaynor's unfortunate death."

"Then you can tell us nothing more than that, Mr. Mitchell? I suppose we must be patient and wait, but I am afraid if what you say is true we shall have to slip away somewhere out of the world we have known for so long and begin life over again on a new level."

Mrs. Gaynor spoke calmly. "She seemed to have accepted the inevitable cast of the dice and was prepared to make the best of what the hand of Fate had flung."

When the lawyer had taken his departure, mother and daughter faced one another. There was a strange bond of understanding between these two. The realisation that they were now comparatively poor people had caused no panic, for there is an enviable philosophy which accepts the twists and turns of Fortune as part of the game of life.

"There's one thing, mother," said Sonia, quietly. "I'm not altogether useless. I dare say I could earn my own living as well as anyone else. I've had a better education than most; I can speak both French and German fluently, and I'm sure it would not take me very long to learn shorthand and typewriting. Let's look out for a little cottage somewhere and settle down together. I'm sure we'll both be very happy."

Mrs. Gaynor looked thoughtful. "We shall have to wait a while yet," she said, slowly. "Perhaps some mistake has been made, and we'll find that things are not quite so bad after all."

"I can't share your optimism, mother," observed Sonia, reaching out her hand for the morning newspaper which lay unopened on the table. "I'll just see if anyone wants to employ me. There's nothing like making a quick start."

Not knowing just where to look for the Persons Wanted column in *The Times*, Sonia began with the front page and ran her eyes down the first two columns. At the top of the third she paused. As she read, her face blanched and the fingers that held the newspaper trembled.

Mrs. Gaynor had been watching her daughter closely, admiring the enterprising qualities she had most certainly inherited from her father. Then she noticed the girl's sudden pallor, and leaned forward, quickly. "Sonia, darling, whatever's the matter?"

"The girl took a quick grip on her emotions. "Nothing," she tried to smile. "Nothing at all! I just felt the least bit dizzy. I think it must be the excitement."

"But you look positively ill, child."

"Please don't worry, mother, there's a dear. I'm quite better now. I think I'll go and lie down for a few minutes until lunch."

Sonia went up to her room, taking *The Times* with her. She felt better now. The first shock had passed from her, but an unaccountable fear gripped with icy fingers at her heart. Seated on the edge of her bed she read the notice over again. The announcement which had caused her such alarm was indented in the column to give it greater prominence:

Will the young man who called upon the late Mr. Montgomery Gaynor at his offices, Zenith Buildings, Hatton Garden, on the afternoon of April 23rd, please communicate immediately with Inspector Webster, Special Branch, Scotland Yard, or at any police station. This was followed almost immediately beneath by another notice, which ran:

Information is wanted concerning a young man about 27 years of age, height about five feet nine inches, pale complexion, dark hair, named either "Pryor" or "Viner" or something resembling these names phonetically, who was last seen in the vicinity of Hatton Garden on the afternoon of April 23. A reward of £5 will be paid to anyone furnishing information which will lead to his apprehension. Apply the nearest police station.

Sonia started at the announcement for several minutes. Once again that strangely fantastic fear swept down upon her just as it had done when she was driving home after the inquest. She realised that she must act quickly. On some pretext or another she must go up to London immediately. She must learn the truth.

## CHAPTER VIII.

## The First Encounter.

Outside in the garden the wall-flowers and the daffodils perfumed the still air. The sunlight spread in waves of gold over the close-cropped lawn, and the first insects, awakened from their winter's hibernation, winked up and down in the air.

It was one of those perfect afternoons that occur occasionally at the end of April to tempt humanity into garden chairs.

Sonia did not want her mother to know that she intended going up to town—she did not want anyone to know that. So she had casually announced her intention of taking out the small, maroon-coloured car her father had given her for her last birthday on the pretext of going for an afternoon's run on her own.

Mrs. Gaynor, relieved to find Sonia looking much better than she had done before lunch, assented to her daughter's proposal without question.

It was nearly three o'clock when Sonia, in a straight black coat and small black hat, left the house and made her way round to the garage at the side.

At the angle of the house she paused, hearing voices from the direction of the garage. One she recognised as that of Williams, the chauffeur, but the pleasantly musical intonations of the other were strange to her.

Filled with curiosity—for it was unlike Williams to entertain his friends so near to the house—Sonia walked unconcernedly through the open doors of the garage. On the threshold she paused. Williams was leaning over the bonnet of the seven-seater saloon he had used that morning, talking to a young man in a plus-four suit and a tweed cap that matched as near as made no matter, who was standing by the running board.

At the girl's entrance the chauffeur glanced up guiltily. The young man removed his cap.

"Gentleman here asking for you, Miss. I was just telling him I heard you were unwell this morning."

Peter Blayne glanced sharply at Williams. The fellow was certainly smart in providing extempore explanations.

"I'm sorry for this intrusion," smiled Blayne, advancing towards the girl, "but I was hoping to meet you. I saw you at the Coroner's inquest the other day, but you probably didn't notice me. I hope I may be privileged to indulge a few moments of your time."

For the moment Sonia did not

know quite how to act. She

reminded herself that he had not yet told her who he was. "Certainly," she smiled, her mind working rapidly. "If you will come down to the bottom of the garden, I think I could spare a little time."

She motioned him to follow her across the lawn, down a few rustic steps until they reached the cloistered cool of the summer-house.

Peter wasted no time. As soon as Sonia was seated he introduced himself. "My name's Blayne," he began. "I'm acting for Inspector Webster at Scotland Yard."

Keenly he watched the effect of his words, and he thought she paled a little, but his face did not betray the surprise he felt.

For one fleeting moment he read fear in her deep, blue eyes, and he wondered vaguely why.

"You don't think, then, that father's death was altogether a natural one?"

Sonia Gaynor asked the question with curious calm. To Blayne, however, the words contained a hint of challenge, at the same time intending to convey the impression that she had, for some reason or other, already made up her mind on the point.

"I want to be perfectly frank with you, Miss Gaynor," said Blayne. "As you are well aware there is a certain conflict of medical opinion and while even the Home Office pathologist who was called in to make an impartial examination can form no positive opinion as to the cause of your father's death, I may say that I am quite certain he did not die a natural death."

Blayne uttered the last few words slowly and with emphasis.

"Then I suppose, as a detective, you scorn the opinion of those more qualified to know than yourself?" Blayne coloured under the lash of her words, and realised for the first time that this girl had assumed an antagonism towards him which was inexplicable.

"That, of course," he answered her with no trace of annoyance, "is entirely a matter of opinion. I am surely entitled to my own views, Miss Gaynor."

Sonia shrugged her pretty shoulders. She was, he told himself, not convinced. She regarded him in the light of an unnecessary meddler.

"What reasons have you for thinking contrary to medical evidence?" She flashed the question at him with cold eyes. "Has some evidence come to light of which mother and I are not aware?"

"I did not come down with the intention of discussing that aspect of the case at all," Blayne told her, quietly. "What I really wanted was to try to discover who the young man was who called to see your father the afternoon of his death."

"And how should I know that?" Father was not in the habit of introducing us to all his acquaintances."

Sonia Gaynor, Blayne noted, was unquestionably clever. Her features were well under her control. But Blayne was much too experienced in his art to be deluded on that count. It was not her face he had been watching so much as her hands which are more certain barometers of the human emotions

than either the eyes or the lips, and when he had mentioned the mysterious visitor he had noticed her hands which were resting on the small octagonal table that stood between them, clench slightly. This momentary inflexion had been sufficient to inform him that his words had disturbed her assumed equanimity.

"I can quite understand that," Blayne pursued his inquiry levelly. "I thought that perhaps you might at some time or other have heard Mr. Gaynor mention a young gentleman who certainly appears to have been on a footing of familiarity. As, however, you cannot help me, I must leave it at that."

Perhaps Mrs. Gaynor may have some recollection," he added, as though it were an afterthought. "It is possible that I could have a few words with her?"

The girl had obviously not expected this sudden turn in the conversation.

"I'm afraid mother's not well enough to see anyone else to-day," she was quick to reply. "She had an interview with father's lawyer this morning and she's been rather upset. If you like," she suggested brightly, "I'll ask her to-night and you know what she says, but what interest all this can have for you, I can't imagine. You don't suggest that this unknown young man was responsible for father's death?"

Blayne looked straight into the cloudless eyes of the beautiful girl on the other side of the table. There was no doubt as to her anxiety regarding his reply, and he paused unnecessarily before speaking. What her object was in fencing with him so skillfully, puzzled him considerably.

"Scotland Yard is not at all sure about that," he said, slowly. "That is why we should like to give him the opportunity of clearing himself if he could."

"There is some doubt, then?" He nodded.

"Mr. Blayne, do you really think this unknown person is a murderer?"

Blayne was not altogether surprised at her question. Candidly—not! But I'm only speaking for myself, remember. Inspector Webster has other theories."

He saw the shadow cloud her eyes again, noticed her small hands clench. But she made no further reference to the matter. Instead she arose and terminated the interview.

"I am afraid I have been what you call an unsatisfactory witness, Mr. Blayne," she smiled suddenly recovering her composure. "But if you have any news I hope you'll let me know how things are going. I don't want mother to be worried any more, you understand."

As Peter Blayne tramped back to the station there were several things perplexing him. Why had Sonia Gaynor taken such pains to prevent his interviewing her mother? And how much did she know about the young man who visited her father on the afternoon of the murder? That was the main problem, and it disturbed him from any complacency in the crime, and yet—a haunting doubt troubled him.

## SEX EQUALITY.

## MRS. PETHICK-LAWRENCE'S SUGGESTIONS.

Mrs. Pethick-Lawrence, in her presidential address to the twenty-first annual conference of the Women's Freedom League at Caxton Hall, Westminster, said that now women were to have the vote on the same terms as men the first and immediate effect must be the enforcement of obedience to the letter and spirit of the Statute.

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"The inequality of marriage must be adjusted before marriage can be regarded as an honourable and voluntary deed of partnership and not a penalising condition for the fulfilment of the women's instinct for love and motherhood enforced upon her as a lesser evil than that of unlegislated union."

## LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

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## JUNK RESCUE.

### CHINESE STEAMER WITH 13 SURVIVORS.

A report was made at the Harbour Office on Saturday by Leung So, master of the Chinese steamer Lee Cheung, employed on the run from Hongkong to San Mei, relative to the rescue of a wrecked junk's crew in the vicinity of the Ninetins. The master states that he left Hongkong at 2 a.m. on June 2. Passing the Ninetins at 6.30 a.m. of the same day, he found the weather too boisterous and considered it unsafe to proceed further and accordingly altered course to return to Hongkong. Approaching Fu Tau Mun Pass, wreckage was sighted which later proved to be that of a disabled junk, with the after part badly damaged, in a position approximately 200 yards from the point. She was riding to the sea with one anchor down.

Course was altered and preparations made to effect a rescue of the junk's crew. Lineds were subsequently passed and the 13 persons on board were taken off without loss of life and brought back to Hongkong.

The master of the wrecked junk, Kwok Sul-po, states that he left Wu Hum, near Chingang Point, at 4.30 a.m. on May 31 with a miscellaneous cargo of livestock, eggs and vegetables, valued at \$3,500.

Approaching the Ninetins, the rudder of his craft was damaged by heavy weather on the morning of June 2. The vessel drifted for more than two hours and came under the steep to bench of Fu Tau Po, where anchor was dropped in an attempt to prevent the junk driving hard ashore.

Somewhat later the s.s. Lee Cheung arrived on the scene and took off the crew, consisting of the master, a crew of seven, one woman, three children and one male passenger, thirteen in all, and brought them back to harbour.

It is understood that the junk has been abandoned and is now breaking up in the heavy weather which still prevails.

The Harbour Office Report of the Lee Cheung contains the following statement: "Returned from Nine pins Group about 115 miles away from Hongkong, owing to brave wind, and helped some men from the junk."

## SPEAKER TO RETIRE.

### MR. WHITLEY'S REQUEST TO PARLIAMENT.

London, June 2.

Mr. J. H. Whitley, Speaker of the House of Commons, will ask the House on June 13 to permit him to retire from the Speakership on the following day.

[Mr. John Henry Whitley is now 62 years of age. He was elected to represent Halifax in 1900, became Junior Lord of the Treasury in 1907 and Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means in 1910. In the following year he became Chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speaker. He has been Speaker since 1921.]

## AMERICAN SHIPPING.

### NEW VESSELS TO BE BUILT UNDER NEW LAW.

Washington, June 3.

The Oceanic and Oregon Oriental and the American Hawaiian Lines are concerned in a proposal to build at least six new vessels, aided by Government loans under the Jones-White Shipping Law.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## EVACUATION OF PEKING.

(Continued from Page 2.)

guarded when Chang Tso-lin left for the railway station. Troops packed the platform of the station where a special train waited. Marshal Chang, accompanied by his general staff rode in an armoured motor car to the station where he immediately entered a private car.

A large number of officials were present and the bands played. The guards and troops saluted. Chang Tso-lin smiling broadly, unlike a defeated generalissimo who had occupied Peking for eleven months and fifteen days.

### The City Quiet.

Peking, June 3, 4.50 p.m. Peking remains perfectly calm with no sign of disorder. Practically all the soldiers have left the city which is controlled by police gendarmes.—*Reuter.*

### A Slow Withdrawal.

Peking, June 3, 9.50 p.m. The Northern withdrawal is proceeding very slowly. The line from Luliho to Machang is still held but their opponents do not show signs of pressing the Fengtienites. There is still a considerable gap between the forces.—*Reuter.*

### A New Development.

Peking, June 3, 4.50 p.m. A report is current to-day that the Fengtien "Young Party" headed by Yang Yu-ting and Chang Hsueh-liang, who have long been sympathetic with Nationalist ideals, intend to join the Nationalist forces known as the 3rd and 4th army corps.

According to one report they may join Chiang Kai-shek, Yen Hsi-shan and Pei Chung-hai in a coalition against Feng Yu-hsiang. These reports have not yet been confirmed.—*Reuter.*

### Knotty Problem.

Peking, June 3, 9.50 p.m. Although it was given out late last night that the disposal of the non-Manchurian elements among the Northern forces had been settled, it appears that there is a knotty problem not yet satisfactorily solved. The forces of Sun Chuan-fang, Chang Chung-chang and Chu Yu-pu being mostly Chihliites and Shantungites, do not desire to proceed to Manchuria and are not wanted there, while it is understood that the Southern leaders do not wish to reorganise them into the Nationalist armies. An attempt to disarm and disband 70,000 troops without pay might cause serious trouble and it is even rumoured to-day that Sun Chuan-fang, who is still in Peking, may attempt a coup d'etat. His forces are believed to be mostly in the vicinity of Yang-tsun.—*Reuter.*

### Foreign Comment.

London, June 3.

"The Powers can only hope that the Chinese Nationalists will be content to stop short at the Great Wall, and there consolidate their gains," says the *Sunday Times*. Alternatively, should trouble in Manchuria supervene, that Japan will act with the utmost discretion; but Manchuria is Chang's chief arsenal, and he cannot be expected to remain idle there for ever.

The *Observer* remarks that the Manchurian warlord returns to Manchuria as a warlord, or at all, only by courtesy of the Japanese. His triumph, if achieved, would have inaugurated a renewed despotism of the old type.—*Reuter.*

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## OBITUARY.

### WELL-KNOWN SWEDISH EXPLORER.

Stockholm, June 2.

The death is announced of Dr. Otto Nordenskjold.—*Reuter.*

Dr. Otto Nordenskjold is the famous Swedish geographer and explorer. He was born in December 1869, on the island of Sjogelo in the Swedish province of Smaland. He studied at Upsala where in 1894 he was appointed lecturer on mineralogy and geology. In 1905 he became professor of geography and ethnography at Gothenburg University. His lectures between 1915 and 1923 to those taking courses in commercial science led in the latter year to the establishment of the Commercial College, of which he became Rector and professor of geography.

In 1895-7 he led a Swedish expedition to the far south of South America. He described his experiences in his book "The Land of Fire" (1898), while the scientific results were published in three volumes. In 1898 he undertook another expedition to Northern Canada and in 1900 led a Danish party which explored Eastern Greenland.

## STATE SCANDAL.

### FURTHER ARRESTS IN MEXICO CITY.

Mexico City, June 2.

The arrest of Maria Conesa, an ex-actress and friend of General Alvarez, and fifteen others charged with complicity in a smuggling plot, marks the development of the State scandal.—*Reuter's American Service.*

[General Jose Alvarez, Chief of Staff of President Calles, was dismissed from his post for "amalgamating merchandise into Mexico in connivance with certain foreigners." It is reported that he has been arrested and imprisoned.]

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FOOCHOW MINUS  
GOVERNMENT.OFFICIALS RESENT NANKING  
INTERFERENCE.

## VISITORS DETAINED.

Foochow, June 1.  
The situation in Foochow at the moment is fraught with interest, and no one dare prophesy how events will turn out.

A few days ago a party of "Directors of Kuomintang business," consisting of seven men and two women, arrived from Nanking charged with the task of reorganising and straightening out the business of the Party in Fukien. They were received in a truly Chinese way. Protests were made by bodies professing to represent "all classes in Foochow," and it was made very clear that they were not wanted and would not be received by the very people whom they came to reorganise.

Meantime, the Provincial Government, the majority of which is pro-Nanking, and should have, if consistent, welcomed these emissaries, met to discuss the matter. The Chairman, Gen. Fang Sheng-tao, said he felt very much the need of a rest and had decided to go to Kushan Monastery for a few days, leaving Mr. Ting Chiao-Wu to act as chairman during his absence.

All Resign.  
Mr. Ting said "Nothing doing," and telegraphed his resignation to Nanking, and then all the other members of the Government followed suit. So at the moment there is no Government here, though I understand Gen. Fang is back again and carrying on so far as ordinary work goes.

Meantime the Central Government's emissaries arrived on board the Wanching but as they sailed up the river the force fired a shot across her bows, and they were taken off by a naval boat and are being kept in custody near Kwan-tow.

I said the majority of the Government are pro-Nanking, but there are exceptions. One of these is Mr. Huang Tieng-hung, for whom the Nanking Government has issued a warrant of arrest. He is now in hiding somewhere near Pagoda Anchorage.

One wonders what will happen; but judging by Government previous experience, the probability is that the emissaries of the Central Government will finally make their way in, and get things adjusted, and that the loyal members of the provincial Government will be persuaded by Nanking to resume office, from which, of

A COLOURFUL  
SPECTACLE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Thousands of Spectators.

The parade ended with about fifty men of the H.K.M.C. The march past took about half an hour, the detachments then marching from the junction of Queen's Road and Murray Road along Connaught Road, Hillyer street, Bonnam Strand East and back to Queen's Road where they separated and returned to their respective barracks.

The route was lined along its whole length by thousands of spectators, who displayed intense interest in the parade. After the march past, H.E. the Officer Administering the Government returned to Government House, his car being escorted by members of the Motor Cycle Section of the H.K.V.D.C.

## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to today's questions:—

1. (a) The King; (b) the Imperial Government. 2. Arctic Circle, north-west of Greenland. Captain G. H. Wilkins, leader of the American Arctic expedition, suggests it as a possible taking-off point for a flight to the North Pole. 3. At Nakh Kharal, eighty miles north-west of Bagdad, in Persian territory. Just across the border of Iraq; 450,000 gallons per day. 4. Representative Exhibition of Dutch Art; nearly thirty years. 5. Forty. 6. Anno urbis conditae (from the foundation of the city). Used by the Romans as we use the letters B.C. or A.D. in referring to a date. The Romans reckoned their dates from the year of the foundation of Rome. 7. Harbours, one of Sir John Falstaff's inferior officers, so named because his nose was so red and his face so "fall of mutton." 8. Achernon (brief flowing); Phlegethon (burning); Styx (loathsome); Phlegethon (burning); Lethe (oblivion). 9. A design cut in a gem or stone, like a crest or initial in a stamp. The design is hollowed out. 10. The north. In early Christian times the north was the dark, barbaric part of the world, and the reading of the Gospel on the north side symbolised "the light shining in the darkness." 11. "Love is a love, by words styled" men." 12. "Love is a love, by words styled" men." 13. "Love is a love, by words styled" men." 14. A long shawl or scarf, which may be chequered or not. "Harris" is the chequered pattern, every Scots clan having its own tartan.

course, they have really no desire to resign.

## No Japanese Trouble.

One of the most important members of the Provincial Government, Huang Wang, the Commissioner for Education, is away at Nanking attending the Educational Conference there. So he is not implicated in these difficulties.

Otherwise, all in Foochow goes on quietly. There has not been any anti-Japanese agitation, though a mild boycott is going on, and to-day, the May 30th anniversary, nothing is being done in the way of demonstration, beyond a holiday in schools and public offices.—Our Own Correspondent.

PEKING'S STATE OF  
TRANSITION.WILL WELLINGTON KOO BE  
NEW PREMIER?

## TSINAN PARLEY FAILS.

Shanghai, June 3.

A number of important changes took place in Peking immediately after Marshal Chang Tso-lin's departure.

The ban on all Chinese newspapers published in South China has been lifted and papers advocating the Nationalist cause are now able to find their way into the Northern capital.

There are rumours that Dr. Wellington Koo, the well-known Chinese diplomat, will take over the post of Premier during the transition period. Mr. Lo Weikan, the Peking Minister of Foreign Affairs, however, denies this.

A Chinese telegram dated yesterday from Peking, says that Marshals Sun Chung-fang and Chang Chung-chang are likely to surrender to the Southerners. In any event, it is improbable that they will follow Marshal Chang Tso-lin into Manchuria.

## Generals' Movements.

General Yen Shi-shan arrived in Paotingfu on Friday, while Marshal Feng Yu-shiang, the "Christian General," arrived on Saturday.

The latest cable advice from the North is that both are still at Paotingfu.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has left the Paotingfu front and is probably going to Hsuehchowfu.

## Railway Services.

An overnight Chinese telegram says that part of the Peking-Hankow Railway has resumed normal service. This is particularly so on the lower section of the line up to Paotingfu.

## Tsinan Negotiations Fail.

Shanghai, June 3.  
Latest reports from Tsinanfu state that the Chinese negotiations with the Japanese in Tsinanfu have ended in failure. The Japanese adopt a firm attitude and decline to comply with the proposals of the Nationalist delegates.

On Thursday morning a party of some thirty Japanese cavalry met a number of "Red Spear" bandits in the vicinity of Tsinanfu and a fight ensued resulting in the bandits being dispersed.

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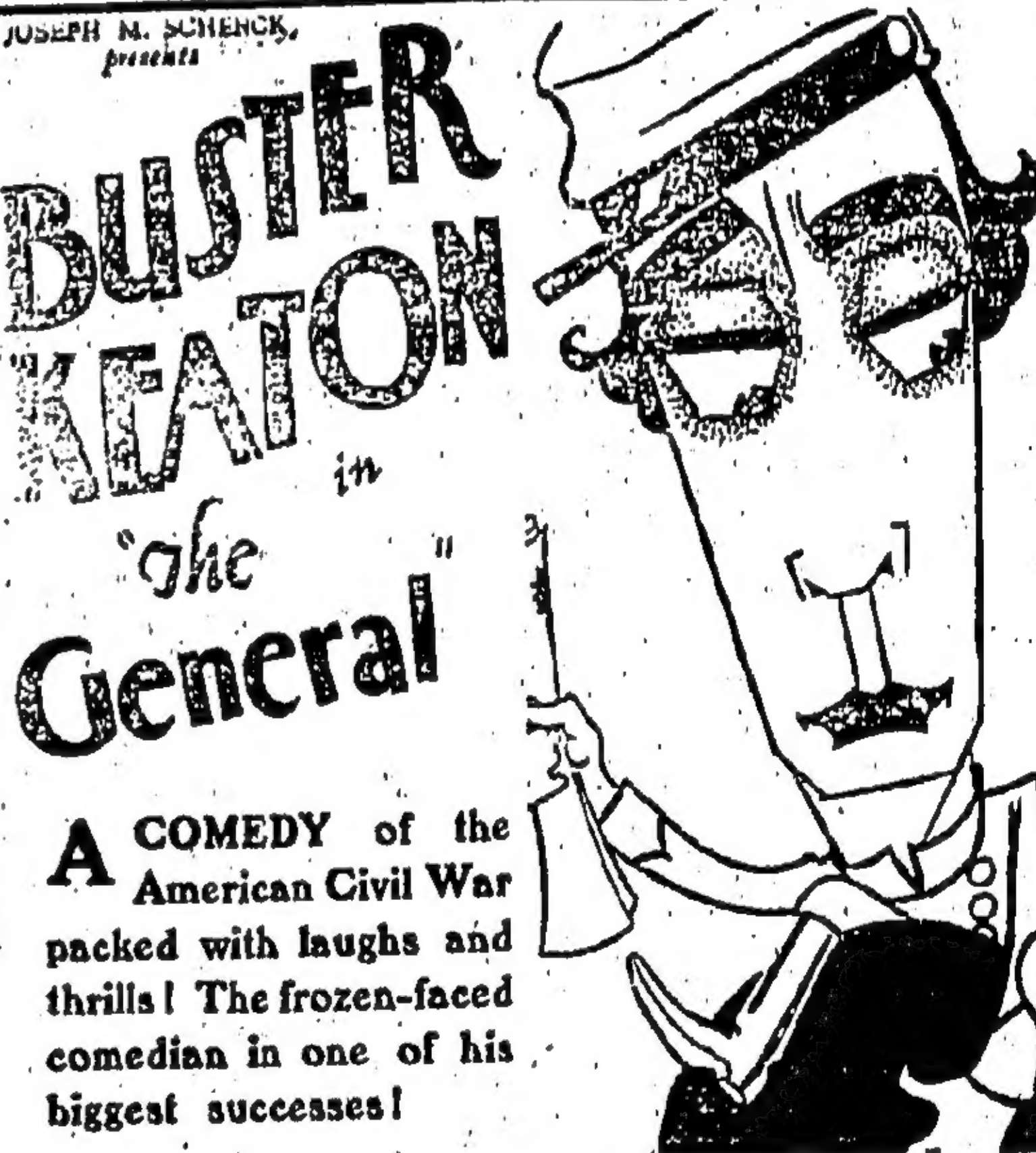
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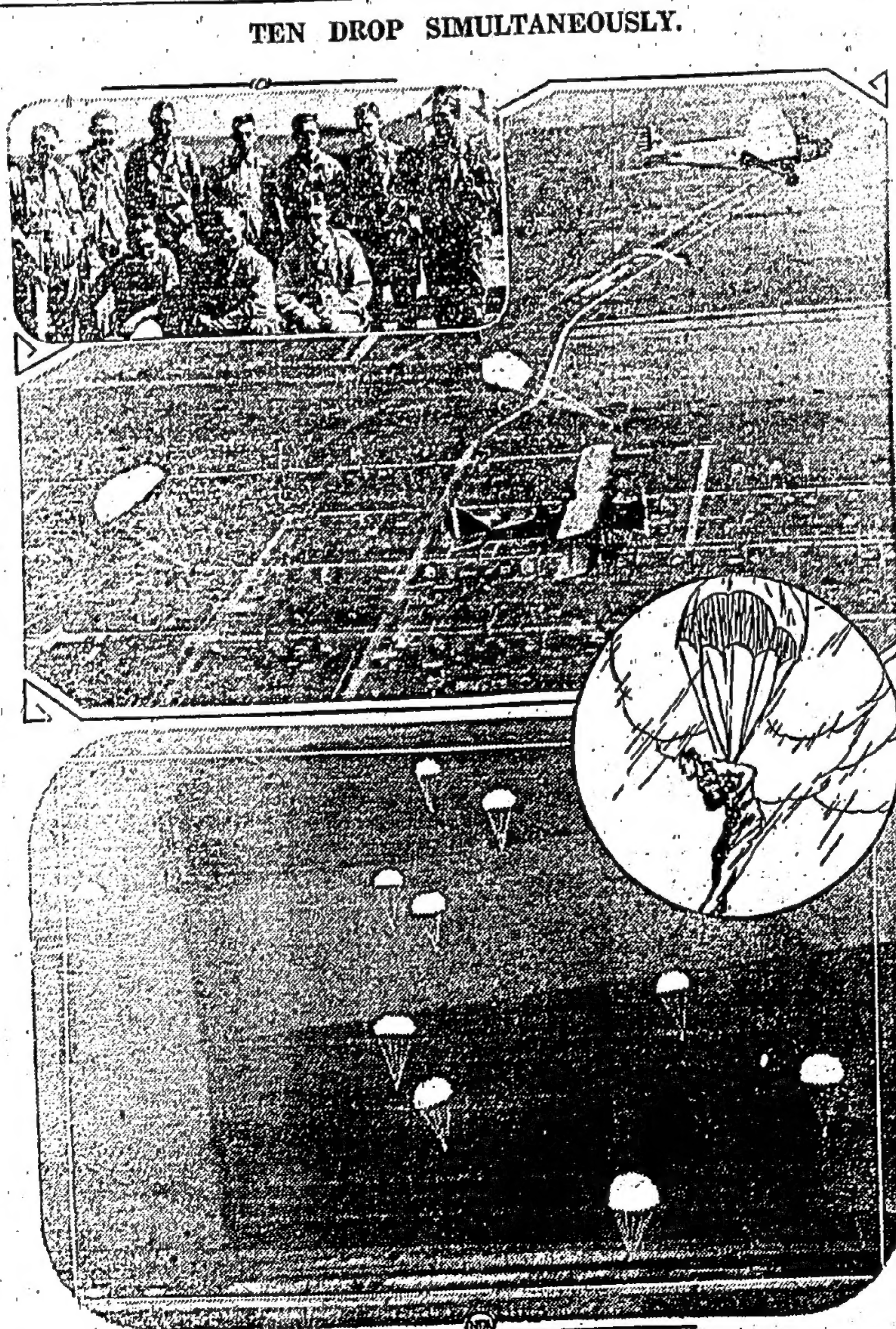


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